WEATHER SYNOPSIS

The barometer is falling on the Pacific Slope and fine, colder weather is becoming general over this Province. Lower temperatures are reported on the Prairies.

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IMMENSE DAMAGE DONE BY LACK OF RAINFALL

Forty-One Ships and Many Small Vessels at Mercy of Tempest on British Coast

WORST GALE FOR YEARS IN BRITAIN

Scores of Vessels of All Sizes Battered or Wrecked While Battling Their Way to Safety

HURRICANE RAGES OVER GREAT AREA

Vessel With Priceless Treasures on Board Fighting Her Way to England on Bay of Biscay

LONDON, Dec. 7. — Forty-one ships and innumerable fishing boats and barges were in distress tonight off the coasts of Great Britain and Ireland, after a seasonal hurricane that centred off the British Isles and extended as far as Spain and Scandinavia.

SCORES OF LIVES LOST

The fierce gale, which lashed Britain for more than twenty-four hours caused loss of life that will run into scores when all the deaths have been tabulated. It was one of the severest storms in many years.

The British steamer Radyr foundered in the Bideford Bay, Devonshire, with the loss of all twenty-one hands. The steamer Frances Duncan went down on Land's End with a loss of sixteen lives. The crew of the Italian steamer Casmona, abandoned ship after losing their rudder and were rescued by the steamers Edinburgh Castle and Arlanza.

Ships of all nationalities were among those in distress, British, Norwegian, Dutch, Hungarian, Spanish, French and Italian.

Somewhere in the Bay of Biscay on the outer channel, the treasure ship Leonardo Da Vinci from Italy was thought to be making her way through the storm to England, where her cargo of pictures, valued at $70,000,000, will be exhibited.

FIGHTING TREASURE SHIP

The Leonardo da Vinci has been sending wireless reports on her progress every day, but has not been heard from since she reported that she had passed Gibraltar at 8 o'clock last evening.

The liner Andalucia Star, bound from Maderia and South American ports, lost her rudder and had difficulty making her way safely to the port of Falmouth. Engineers

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Canadian V.C.'s Honoring the Fallen

THE above photograph shows the Canadian V.C.'s marching to the Cenotaph on Armistice Day to place their wreaths. Most of the men who attended the Prince of Wales' dinner have now returned to their homes and are full of admiration and praise for the reception and hospitality accorded them during their stay in the great British metropolis. The trippers were enthusiastic about their reception in the Old Country and declare the dinner was a wonderful success. Tired but happy after their long trip, they are very glad, so they say, to be home again.

Hope-Princeton Route to Reduce Journey From Coast To Interior by Day's Travel

THE Hope-Princeton Highway, which will afford to the southern parts of British Columbia a route which will give connection with the British Columbia coast centres about a day's travel shorter than the existing roads, is now actually on the programme of road construction for the province.

In making this announcement Hon. N. S. Lougheed does not suggest that the road will be constructed at once. The route has been located, however, and will form part of the programme of construction in the province from year to year until it is finished.

It is one of the most important projects in the line of highway construction which will be carried to completion in the province within the next few years. In deciding the route the Minister of Public Works has been materially assisted by his colleague, Hon. W. A. McKenzie, Minister of Mines, who is deeply interested on behalf of the residents of the territory that will be brought by means of it 145 miles closer to the Coast than at present.

At present the Southern Interior of the country finds it easy to travel through the United States in coming to the Coast instead of adopting the more circuitous route which has to be taken to travel through British Columbia all the way.

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REBELLION OF LABOR 'REDS' IS SQUASHED

Premier MacDonald Tells "Clydesiders" They Cannot Have Everything They Want at Once

MR. SNOWDEN PUTS DOWN HEAVY FOOT

LONDON, Dec. 7 (British United Press).—The Labor Government of Great Britain has surmounted its troubles, at all events temporarily, as the result of an admonitory speech by Premier Ramsay MacDonald and Rt. Hon. Philip Snowden's firm stand that the Exchequer's pockets were not well enough lined to enable him to grant the demands of the extremists in connection with the dole.

The Prime Minister spoke at the London Scots' Labor Club dinner in his honor last night, and he entered and left to the music of bagpipes.

He addressed his remarks almost entirely to the malcontents of the Clydesiders, whom he admonished by suggesting that their critics seemed to think the Government could create a new world in six days.

"I am sorry we are not creators, and only workers," he apologized.

He pointed out he was working the Commons a little too hard, but said that when the opportunity came he would reduce the pressure, and he assured his hearers they would not be disappointed with the results.

THREATENS TO RESIGN

Mr. Snowden put his foot down firmly at a meeting of the Socialist party, threatening to resign if demands for still more money for the dole were placed upon him. By this show of firmness he quelled the revolt, pointing out that the concessions demanded amounted to $100,000,000.

Miss Margaret Bondfield, the Minister of Labor, also came to the aid of the Chancellor by threatening to drop the Insurance Bill altogether, with the result that the meeting came to the conclusion to drop further demands for more money and unite to pass the bill by Christmas.

VALUABLES DESTROYED

SPOKANE, Dec. 7.—Fire, starting from an overheated furnace, destroyed St. Anne's Roman Catholic Church here today, with loss of $40,000 covered by insurance.

With bowed head, Rev. Father T. Pyper stood in the street and watched the flames ruin the church in which he had performed his sacred offices for thirty-three years.

Golden chalices and other valuable plate were melted and lost in the ashes. Not even books of records were saved.

Canoeists of Montreal Hit Rocky Reef

ST. JOHN, N.B., Dec. 7.—Baffeted by a strong northeast wind and waves, the canoe in which Paul Paquin and Dick Lepage, of Montreal, set out today en route for Halifax along the Bay of Fundy coast, was driven onto Partridge Island and swamped. In the opinion of pilots who helped them drag their boat to safety, the transcanada canoeists narrowly escaped death by drowning.

After leaving Market Slip the men had trouble paddling against the tide and wind, and were gradually carried toward the bay. This allowed them but few glimpses of the island and the tide landed them on a reef, where the boat filled. They were brought back to the city but plan to start again tomorrow morning.

USE YOUR VOTE

at the Civic Election in the Public Market Building on Thursday next, between the hours of 9 a.m. and 7 p.m.—for your city's sake.

—Gyro Club Campaign.

INTEREST ON BONDS PAID IN ADVANCE

City of Victoria Receives Certified Cheque for $12,700 From Panama Pacific Grain Terminals, Limited

DUE DATE FOR PAYMENT, JAN. 1

A certified cheque for $12,700, payable to the Corporation of the City of Victoria, covering bond interest on the $500,000 debenture stock of the Panama Pacific elevator at Ogden Point, guaranteed by the city, was paid to City Comptroller D. A. Macdonald at the City Hall yesterday by Mr. David S. Tait, solicitor for the Panama Pacific Grain Terminals, Limited.

This is the third payment of interest on the $500,000 debenture stock of the company, and the money has been paid to the city well in advance of the date on which the interest falls due, which is January 1, 1930.

Mr. Tait stated yesterday that the Panama Pacific Grain Terminals, Limited, had made very good progress financially in the past three months, and also that the officials of the company were very hopeful that the grain situation will work out so that a fair volume of business can still be done by the elevator at Ogden Point this year.

Payment of the principal on the $500,000 debenture stock of the elevator company, guaranteed by the city, does not begin until July 2, 1932, when the first payment amounts to $13,000. The principal is to be paid off in twenty-two annual installments, while the interest is to be paid semi-annually.

Crowds Fight With Fists as French Girl Weds Indian Prince

AIX-LES-BAINS, France, Dec. 7 (British United Press).—In a brief civil ceremony lasting hardly more than five minutes, the blonde Mlle. Andree Josephine Marie Leonie Carron, thirty-one, became the bride today of the rich and powerful Indian leader, the Aga Khan.

Mayor Henri Coerc, of Aix-les-Bains, following one of the imams of the Paris mosque, pronounced the French and Indian words uniting the pretty daughter of a French Catholic family to the fifty-four-year-old descendant of the prophet Mahomet.

The ceremony was delayed a few minutes by the tardiness of the bridegroom. Witnesses to the ceremony were Deputy Antonine Borrel and the lawyers, Durband and Destias.

Photographers attempted to take sound films of the ceremony, but were forbidden to install equipment and had to be content with silent movies.

The crowds and photographers fought with fists for advantageous positions around the Town Hall as Mlle. Carron arrived for the ceremony. She was burdened down with flowers. Carloads of palms and flowers completely hid the walls and stairways of the old castle.

The bridal repast was a typical meal of trout, fished from nearby lakes, and partridges killed in neighboring fields, prepared with fourteen-year-old champagne. The Aga Khan signed the marriage register as Sir Sultan Mohammed Shah Aga Khan, indicating that his bride was elevated to nobility by the marriage. Mayor Coerc, in his customary ceremonial speech, addressed her as "Princess."

EXPERIENCED OFFICIAL IS CONSIDERED

Library Commission Recommends Miss Helen Stewart for Post to Be Created to Make Test

FRASER VALLEY TO BE SELECTED

Miss Stewart Is Now Studying for Ph.D. Degree After Active Professional and Academic Career

THE Fraser Valley district will be selected as the place for demonstrating the library district plan under funds provided by the Carnegie Corporation, if the report of the British Columbia Public Library Commission is carried into effect. Moreover the recommendation is made by that body that Miss Helen G. Stewart, of this city, be appointed as director-librarian to carry out the work connected with the plan.

The British Columbia Public Library Commission has held several meetings of late in connection with the carrying out of the plan for the establishment of a district library in the province, which received the support of the Government following the endorsement of such a plan to be largely financed by the Carnegie Corporation. At a meeting held yesterday the final action was taken.

The members of the commission were all present, made up of Mr. H. Norman Lidster, of New Westminster, chairman; Mrs. Margaret L. Boyle, of Vancouver; and Mr. John Hosie, Provincial Librarian, Victoria; with Mr. Herbert Killam, of the Provincial Library, as secretary of the commission.

MISS STEWART'S WORK

The selection of Miss Stewart for the position would appear to be a specially happy one. Perhaps no one in the Province of British Columbia is better qualified for this position than she is, not only because of the tremendous work she has done in the general line of library work, but also due to the fact that in preparing for her Ph.D. degree,

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PREMIER TELLS ENGINEERS OF ROADS OF B.C.

Declares Province Has Best Roads of Any Part of Dominion—Railroads Are Extended

NEW OFFICERS OF 1930 ARE CHOSEN

VANCOUVER, Dec. 7.—Romance, dogged persistency and humor—humor sometimes of a grim sort—which connects the engineer profession with the development of British Columbia, constituted the theme of an address by Premier S. F. Tolmie to members of the Association of Professional Engineers of British Columbia at their annual dinner in Hotel Georgia on Saturday night.

Incidental to development of waterpower in British Columbia, Premier Tolmie told the assembled engineers that there lies before them the all-important problem of transporting spawning salmon over power dams and bringing to the sea their fry.

RAILROADS OF B.C.

Dealing with railroad engineering Premier Tolmie said British Columbia has advanced until she has 5,280 miles of railway, of which 4,042 are used by steam locomotives and 1,236 by electrical equipment.

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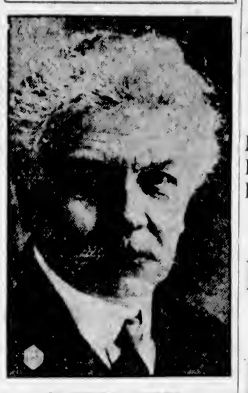
IS APPOINTED TO STUDY OF QUAKES

WASHINGTON, D.C., Dec. 7.—The Rev. Frederick Wyatt Schon, S.J., had been appointed director of the Georgetown University Seismographic Observatory, succeeding the Rev. Francis A. Tendorf, who died recently after holding that post for more than a quarter of a century. Father Schon is widely known as an astronomer and earthquake authority, and a few years ago was in charge of the seismograph apparatus at Fordham University.

Premier Who Returns After Resigning



M. HENRI JASPER

Resigned as Prime Minister of Belgium after his Cabinet had disagreed on the question of substituting Flemish for French as the official language of Ghent University. King Albert, however, refused to accept his resignation.

Children Escape Deadly Fumes of Carbon Monoxide

PORTLAND, Dec. 7.—Four children of Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Kreiger, Eagle Creek, ranging in age from nine to thirteen, rode twenty miles unconscious in an enclosed auto truck dense with carbon monoxide today before they were discovered by their parents. The Kreigers drove to Portland and placed the children in the rear of the truck. Physicians said they would recover.

CHAOS TO BE CHECKED BY ADJUSTMENT

Premier Explains Effect of Interim Report of Colonel Napier on Civil Service Reform

MANY PROBLEMS YET UNSOLVED

The condition of chaos which has been associated with the Provincial Civil Service for years is now about to be eliminated, according to a statement made by Premier Tolmie, following the initial report on the situation received from Col. R. Ross Napier.

There is still a great deal to be done before Colonel Napier completes his task, which requires tracing the history of the individual members of the service covering the time since they first entered the employ of the Government and finding under a properly organized system where they would now be classified and allocating the proper remuneration to them.

This has been a tremendous task, for, while the Civil Service Act provided for the formulating of regulations governing the service, for some reason or other these rules were never framed and the advance

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Year of Big Drought Does More Damage Than Ever Recorded

Millions in Losses Is Estimated to Have Resulted From Driest Year Ever Known in Annals of the Pacific Coast—Industries, Fisheries, Lands, Forests, Cities All Suffer to Incalculable Extent

Deficiency of Rain Is Declared Unparalleled

PORTLAND, Ore., Dec. 7 (British United Press).—Along with 1894, the "year of the floods," 1897, the "cold year," when a wagon laden with kegs of beer was hauled across the river on the ice by a four-horse team, the year 1929 will go down in history as the Pacific Northwest's "year of the big drought."

Already uncounted millions of dollars' damage has been caused by the dryest year in history, and with the middle of December approaching no general rain is yet in sight, according to the weather bureau.

"PASSIVE DAMAGE" GREAT

The "passive damage" caused by lack of rain includes darkened cities, shut downs of industries, thousands upon thousands of acres of forests and farm lands laid waste, wheat crops total failures and damage to other crops, the fish industry paralyzed for a cycle which will not be corrected for years.

Hardest hit of the larger cities is Tacoma where industries have had their power ration cut 25 per cent and face a 50 per cent cut unless general rains fall within a week; street cars have been taken off their runs, street lamps have been dimmed, and a general business depression resulted.

Seattle has dimmed part of her ornamental street lamps, but otherwise still has sufficient power for her needs, and therefore has refused to pool her power with Tacoma and private producers in order to obtain reserve power from the navy airplane carrier Lexington.

Vancouver and New Westminster have curtailed street car service, street lighting and the use of water for domestic purposes.

The little town of Rockport, Wash., is entirely without lights for its 100 homes. Industry has stopped entirely at Toledo, Ore., although the sawmill power plant is still producing sufficient power for domestic lighting.

ONLY SMALL PART

The power shortage, however, is a small part of the general damage caused to the green land by lack

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U. S. NAVAL GROWTH WELL MAINTAINED

Elaborate Programme for Future Naval Establishment Outlined in Statement of Secretary

NAVAL CONFERENCE IS NOT MENTIONED

WASHINGTON, Dec. 7.—Parity in aircraft carriers, increased enlisted personnel to man new ships coming into commission, a higher ratio of officers to enlisted men, and upward revision of pay for all ranks, were asked for the navy today by Secretary Adams. No reference was made in his annual report to the postponement of work on three cruisers by presidential order nor to the possible reduction of future construction under any limitation agreement that may be reached at the London Conference in January.

Mr. Adams said the "parity of aircraft carrier tonnage provided for in the Washington Limitation of Armament Treaty is the most urgent need of naval aviation." Total cost to date of scrapping the battleships and battle cruisers sacrificed under the Washington treaty was set as $42,796,386 in the report.

THREE NEW CRUISERS

Regarding construction of the three cruisers whose keel-laying had been postponed until after the London Limitation Conference, the department estimated that the first of these should be completed by November, 1932, and the other two by February and June, 1933, respectively. The two ships contracted for at the same time with private firms were to be completed by August 15, 1932.

The secretary reported completion of modernization work on the battleships Oklahoma and Nevada last Summer, and the beginning of the Pennsylvania and Arizona.

All cruisers now under contract and the modernized battleships are being provided with the latest type of fire control and battery for defence against airplanes. Similar in-

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NOTABLE PARTY OF JAPANESE TO COME HERE

Former Premier Wakatsuki Heads Delegation En Route to Naval Disarmament Conference

OUTLINE OF PROPOSED POLICY

When the N.Y.K. liner Siberia Maru docks here from Yokohama on Wednesday, she will have aboard one of the most distinguished parties of Japanese to call here for some time. They are en route to the London naval disarmament conference, which will take place in January.

The party includes Mr. Reijiro Wakatsuki, former Premier of Japan; Admiral Hyo Takarabe, minister of the Imperial Japanese Navy, accompanied by Madame Takarabe; Admiral K. Abo; Count Aisuke Kabayama, member of the House of Peers; Mr. T. Yamakawa; Mr. T. Kawasaki, president of the Bureau of Legislation; Lieut.-Admiral Seizo Sakonji, Rear Admiral Isoruku Yamamoto, Captain T. Toyada, Captain K. Nakamura, Surgeon Captain S. Sagawara, Mr. E. Enomoto, Commander S. Iwanjura, Paymaster Commander T. Mogi, Lieut. M. Kawaguchi, Mr. Hirosi Saito, director of the information bureau of the Department of Foreign Affairs and former Japanese consul at Seattle, and Mr. Kiyoshi Yamagata.

CHOICE WELL RECEIVED

The Japanese Government is expected to stress the necessity of material reduction of navies, instead of limitation. Mr. Reijiro Wakatsuki, on October 12, consented to head the Japanese delegation to the five-power naval conference at the personal request of Premier Hamaguchi. His acceptance brought great relief in Government circles and was acclaimed highly by both officials and the press of Japan.

Japan's draft reply to the British

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Royalties of Italy Visit Vatican City and Receive Gifts From Hands of Pope

ROME, Dec. 7.—Crown Prince Humbert and his younger sisters, Princesses Giovanna and Maria, today drove from the Palace to the Vatican and paid their respects to Pope Pius XI. They were accompanied by Count de Vecchi, Italian Ambassador to the Holy See, who introduced them to the Pope. It was the first time Prince Humbert and Princesses Giovanna and Maria had seen the Pope.

ROYAL TRIO CHEERED

Troops stood at attention as the children of King Victor Emmanuel passed by. The crowds cheered the royal trio to the echo.

The party walked through the rooms of the tapestries to the papal ante-chamber and then to the throneroom, where the Pope met them. The three knelt and kissed the Pope's hand. He then immediately raised them to their feet.

The Pope spoke kindly and cordially to the Crown Prince. He congratulated him on his forthcoming marriage to Princess Marie Jose of Belgium, which will be celebrated on January 8. He wished him happiness and gave him his blessing.

At the conclusion of the interveiw the Pope presented valuable gifts of a religious character to his visitors. Finally the visitors went by inside halls to St. Peters. There they worshipped before the Tomb of the Apostles. The Crown Prince presented the Pope with some superb artistic gold plate and the two princesses gave him two large silver cases worked in bas relief.

The Pope presented Prince Humbert with three examples of the jubilee medals done in gold, silver and bronze, and a beautiful miniature of himself. The Pontiff gave Princess Giovanna a rosary entirely in gold with designs symbolic of his jubilee; to Princess Maria he gave a rosary of coral and gold and a miniature representing the Holy Child and the Angels.

From the Colonist Tower

Sunday, Dec. 8

THE WEATHER

Victoria and Vicinity—Moderate to fresh south and west winds; generally fair and colder.

Sun Rises: 7:52 o'clock.
Sun Sets: 4:19 o'clock.

High Tide: 10:25 a.m., 8.7 feet.
Low Tide: 1:10 a.m., 3.0 feet.

Sports

Victoria "rep" ruggers drop close McKechnie Cup match to Vancouver. Score in last two minutes gives visitors victory.
Navy puts Saanich Thistles out of Province Cup soccer. Wests and Esquimalt win league fixtures with ease.
Maroons score three goals in sixty seconds to gain draw with fast-stepping Senators. Bruins and Canadiens chalk up victories.
Record entry made at Victoria Kennel Club's show.
Albie Davies and Tommy Burge battle to draw.
Young Stribling wins from Carnera on foul.

The News

Local and Provincial—
Premier explains effect of interim report of Colonel Napier on Civil Service reform.
Miss Helen G. Stewart recommended for appointment as director-librarian under district plan.
New Hope-Princeton highway on programme of road construction.
City receives cheque for $12,700 from Panama Pacific Grain Terminal, Ltd.
Japanese statesmen are en route here for naval disarmament conference.
Dominion, Imperial and Foreign—
Forty-one ships in danger and many lives are lost in terrific gale on British, French and Spanish coasts.
Losses caused by worst drought ever recorded on Pacific Coast estimated at many millions.
United States naval statement foreshadows further development of navy.
Premier MacDonald and Mr. Phillip Snowden lay down law to party extremists.

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Host: "Oh, I don't suppose more than half will accept. We must hope for the best."

Hostess: "That is all very well as far as you are concerned. What I have to do is to prepare for the worst."

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Majestic Brand Marmalade, 4-lb. tins	35c
Nabob Tea, per lb.	55c
Malkin's Best Coffee, per lb.	55c
Eagle Milk Tin	21c
Sunlight Soap Pkt.	21c
Sockeye Salmon, Clover Leaf, 1-lb. tins,	40c
Heinz Tomato Ketchup, large bottles	25c
Quick Quaker Oats, with China, per pkt.	35c

WORST GALE FOR YEARS IN BRITAIN

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made emergency repairs after the ship had sent out a call for help.

Eight persons were killed in the interior of the British Isles by falling chimneys, uprooted trees, broken windows, and falling walls.

The velocity of the wind reached 108 miles an hour today in the Scilly Islands and then broke the recording instrument. It was estimated that it went as high as 112 miles an hour, which, if true, established a new record for England, which has heretofore never felt more than 111 miles an hour.

CHERBOURG, Dec. 7.—The liner Homeric arrived this evening twelve hours late after two days of fighting a terrific gale.

Four of its passengers, including Georges Carpentier, the boxer, were slightly injured. The Homeric did not make a rescue as has been rumored.

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or marking time in the service by the various members was subject to the fancy of those in authority.

Colonel Napier is working along a well-defined plan which will place the service in a position which will be infinitely more satisfactory to the members of the service itself and to the tax-paying public. It will be a little time before the final reports of the commission will be filed with the Government, but the latter is anxious to have it in as soon as possible.

Provision was made in the estimates of the present year to take care of the increases that were found to be necessary to cover the required increases for this year. This will be done in line with the plan adopted under the report by Colonel Napier, as approved by the Government.

"While the civil service of the province is centralized in Victoria, it extends to the most remote corners of British Columbia, and when it is considered that in area this province equals seven European countries, some idea of the difficulties confronting the commissioner in starting on his complex undertaking may be obtained," said Premier Tolmie in commenting upon the situation. "Colonel Napier, in addition to his other qualifications for the work, had the decided advantage of being acquainted with the inside as well as the ramifications of the service throughout the province, having been Inspector of Government Agencies, and later Assistant Deputy Minister of Finance. As a result of the acquaintanceship he realized the vital importance of instituting a plan of reorganization that would not be in the nature of a temporary expedient, but which would be of such a character as to revitalize the civil service and provide an incentive to increased efficiency.

CENTRAL REGISTER

"As a preliminary to this, he devised a central register system which shows at a glance, and with infinite detail, the exact standing of the whole personnel of the service. This had the effect of demonstrating the inequalities and need of adjustments in a most graphic form, and it immediately became evident that there had been a complete lack of system in the payment for work of a similar character in different departments. System was also lacking in connection with advancement of salaries.

LEFT AUTOCRATIC POWERS

"The Civil Service Act," went on the Premier, was passed in 1917. It was designed to put the service on a permanent basis, and a civil service commissioner was appointed who was to conduct his duties under regulations approved by the Lieutenant Governor-in-Council. Apparently such regulations were never compiled, thus placing the commissioner in an autocratic position, which evidently was not intended by the act. To this fact may be ascribed the lack of system with regard to the advancement of salaries, and the consequent stifling of initiative in the ranks of the civil service.

"From time to time the complaints that arose as a consequence of these conditions were temporarily allayed by the granting of the scale of advancement called for by the act. But this advance in pay—generally referred to as 'the statutory increase'—was invariably given or withheld to the civil service as a whole without the slightest regard to the right or merit of the individual. The act specifically demanded that increases could only be made upon the written report and recommendation of the deputy minister of a department, and with the concurrence of the minister. No provision was made for blanket increases, the purpose of the act being to encourage diligence in the performance of duty by the individual and the increased efficiency of the service. Thus there developed a tendency to lower the standard of efficiency, the personal endeavor and initiative of the ambitious winning no greater recognition for service than the less progressive.

LOSS OF STAFF

"As a result of this condition the services of many highly trained and competent employees have been lost to the province, and they have gone to other employment where there was assurance of adequate pay for adequate service. It is well known in different departments, cases where the loss of a single employee who failed to obtain recognition provided for in the Civil Service Act cost thousands of dollars in actual outlay.

"It is also on record that young men of several years of training, filling responsible positions in the service, have resigned through failure to obtain as much pay as a junior stenographer coming into the Government employ upon leaving school.

LACK OF TRAINING

"Another astounding feature that has been disclosed," added the Premier, "is the absolute lack of any systematic training by which the depletion of the personnel of officials of long experience through death, retirement or other causes, can be replaced. This is particularly evidenced in respect of the staffs of Government agencies. Government agents hold—according to the localities in which they are situated—from ten to seventeen official positions, representing the concentrated functions of as many different departments and branches of Government. Included in these responsible positions are magisterial and court registry duties, and frequently they also sit as judges of the small debts court. These are in addition to the primary duties of handling hundreds of thousands of dollars in revenue collections and equally large sums in connection with public expenditures.

"The direct result of appointing untrained persons to Government agencies staffs is the necessity of adding considerably to the number of employees required for the public service, thus adding greatly to the cost of administration, which would have been obviated by proper organization and systematic training.

"It is impossible to estimate the direct loss to the province through the lack of systematic training, and the principle of advancement by merit."

NOTABLE PARTY OF JAPANESE TO COME HERE

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invitation to attend the conference was completed on October 14, and the wording is reported to be a concise expression, accepting the invitation and outlining Japan's policy in broad terms.

No conditions were made which are likely to cause complications or create doubt and suspicion in the minds of other powers as to Japan's intentions. Even Japan's demand for 70 per cent of the strength of Great Britain and the United States in destroyers and cruisers, is said to have gone unmentioned, as the Government has decided to entrust the whole issue to future preliminary negotiations.

FUNDAMENTAL POLICIES

The fundamental policies of Japan are as follows:

1. Japan desires to maintain, as a minimum requirement, a navy which does not threaten any country of the world, but is, at the same time, sufficiently strong to resist threats from any nation.

2. In order that the foregoing may be attained, Japan will demand a maintenance of 70 per cent of the United States cruiser and destroyer strength as its minimum.

3. Believing that the real spirit of reduction of armaments aims at establishment of world peace and relieving the nations of financial burdens, Japan, while demanding the 70 per cent ratio, will endeavor to effect material reduction in naval armaments, not only in Japan, but in other countries.

An agreement was recently made in Japan between the navy office and the naval general staff on the submarine issue. Japan absolutely opposes any attempt to abolish submarines, because the submarine is an indispensable weapon for Japan's national defence. As a minimum requirement, Japan will insist on maintenance of its present submarine strength.

It is contended that the submarine is the only weapon which can be used against the enemy's capital ships in case Japan is threatened by blockade. The contention is also that a submarine is an indispensable weapon to a weak nation which is unable to spend huge sums for national defence. Japan's present submarine fleet aggregates 66,620 tons with 11,870 tons already under construction.

Drunken man (to clock striking 6 in the morning): Yes, I know it is 1 o'clock. There is no need to keep repeating it.

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Year of Drought Does More Damage Than Ever Recorded

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of water. In the eastern parts of Oregon and Washington practically the entire Winter wheat crop will have to be reseeded in the Spring. The ground has been so dry the wheat wouldn't sprout.

The North Pacific district of the Federal Forest Service had more than 500 men fighting disastrous fires in Oregon, the first time in history that there have been forest fires in December.

Fruit trees are alive with sap and buds have swelled. A sudden freeze might ruin next year's crop.

Lying in the sea and the salt water harbors of the Northwest, principally outside the Columbia River, are countless millions of salmon, late Chinooks, silversides and steelheads. They are ready to spawn but the water in the spawning creeks is so low they cannot reach them, so there they lie in salt water, dropping eggs which will never hatch, and with no baby salmon going down to the sea next year, every four years for none knows how long, there will be no Fall salmon enter the rivers.

BEATS ALL RECORDS

The dryest year on record was 1895 with but 30.76 inches of rainfall. This year there has been but 17.30 inches since January, a deficiency of 18.80 inches below normal, or more than half. The deficiency of Fall rains is even greater. There has been but 2.31 inches since September 1, against a normal of 12.40 inches, a deficiency of 10.09 inches.

EXPECT DROUGHT'S END

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 7.—Definite end of the long drought in Washington and Oregon is in sight, the United States Weather Bureau announced tonight. The disturbance, 1,500 miles off the Oregon Coast, is moving due east, and tomorrow will bring rain to the Pacific Coast north of California, the bureau predicted. The forecast for Washington and Oregon included the significant sentence: "Termination of drought is definitely indicated." Humidity was reported rising generally throughout the Pacific States.

CHURCHES AID USE-YOUR-VOTE DRIVE IN CITY

Ministers Today Will Urge Congregations to Exercise Franchise on Thursday Next at Polls

TWENTY-TWO ARE IN CIVIC CONTEST

Victoria churches will assist the Gyro Club in its "Use-Your-Vote" campaign in respect to the annual civic election, which takes place here on Thursday next.

Trustee G. A. A. Hebden, chairman of the Gyros' "Use-Your-Vote" drive, stated last night that, through the efforts of Gyro William Speed, the ministers of various churches had readily consented to co-operate with the club in its attempt to secure as large a vote of the ratepayers as possible at the polls this week, and would today from their pulpits urge the members of their congregations to assume their civic responsibilities by exercising the franchise.

Polling for the ten civic offices to be filled by the electors will take place at the Victoria Public Market Building, Cormorant Street, between the hours of 9 a.m. and 7 p.m. Thirteen candidates are seeking the five council seats, seven are running for the four School Board posts, and two are contesting the vacancy on the Police Commission.

The Gyros through their aggressive campaign hope to obtain the support of the 11,512 registered voters to boost the voting percentage at the polls. The clubmen in the past have been very successful in interesting citizens of the community in civic affairs, and inducing them to make certain that they register, so that they can perform the obligations of citizenship.

In connection with the present campaign, Trustee Hebden issued the following statement:

"If the registering of all citizens of both sexes, over the age of twenty-one years, happened to be a matter of compulsion it is likely that Victoria voters' list would contain 22,000 names instead of 11,512.

"Attention is called to the fact that during the last twelve civic elections the number of registered electors who voted ranged from twenty-eight to fifty-five out of a hundred. On the average forty-three registered voters out of the hundred consistently used their franchise. In this community of 19,000 mature men and women only 5,000 have accepted their great privilege and its attendant responsibilities," Mr. Hebden says. "The Gyro Club feels that this is not a healthy condition in civic affairs and points out these facts as sufficient justification of the "Use Your Vote" campaign, which has been inaugurated.

"Aside from any discussion as to the relative value of the votes that may be attracted by the campaign, and as to whether or not any larger polls resulting from it will more accurately indicate true public opinion in the selection of ten representatives, it is hoped by the Gyros that their efforts will stir the minds of all citizens, men and women, who have not registered, and rouse those who are registered but who do not vote, to take a greater interest in the affairs of our fair city."

The committee of the Gyro Club which is conducting the "Use-Your-Vote" drive is composed of Gyros G. A. A. Hebden (chairman), H. B. Dawson, James Sherratt, William Speed, Harold Beckwith, Archie Wills and Harold McDonald.

EXPERIENCED OFFICIAL IS CONSIDERED

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which she now has in hand, she has taken as the subject of her thesis "Rural Library Services With Special Reference to British Columbia."

Miss Stewart is a native of Ontario. She came to Victoria in 1912, after having taken a library course in the New York Public Library School.

Appointed in charge of the public library here shortly after her arrival, she completely reorganized the institution along modern lines. She resigned to engage in war service for several years.

Miss Stewart later served on the British Columbia Provincial Library Commission from 1919 until 1924, when she resigned on account of other duties which took up her time. It was through her efforts, combined with those of Mr. John Hosie, more than through any other agency that the present Library Act in force in the province was called into existence.

In 1924 she proceeded to Columbia University, New York, to take her course looking to her master's degree in that university. At the same time that she was taking the course for her M.A. she held a very important position as secretary to Mrs. Thompson, a woman who was most active in social service work in and about New York, and who was a speaker at gatherings along this line of note.

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIOLOGY

In the year 1927, Miss Stewart was appointed to the position of head of the Department of Sociology at Wells College, at Cayuga. This institution, which is one of the oldest in the United States devoted to women, is very heavily endowed. Miss Stewart occupied the position at the head of this department there for two years, organizing it and then resigned to return to library work, for which she had a specially strong attraction.

U.S. NAVAL GROWTH WELL MAINTAINED

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stallations are being made on all other ships as fast as possible.

"As usual, the lack of cruisers," he said, "was severely felt in all tactical and strategical exercises."

SHIPS ARE CONDITIONED

The battleships of the fleet were reported to be in good condition, and so were the ten light cruisers of the Omaha class. The Denver class cruisers are approaching the end of their useful life and their upkeep cost is mounting, the report said. Disposition of thirteen old cruisers and the decommissioning permanently of about sixty destroyers having unsatisfactory boilers, also was reported.

Commending the five-year aviation expansion programme the secretary said that it was proceeding satisfactorily, but that the construction of one aircraft carrier and fifteen cruisers authorized by Congress would require expansion of the programme to take care of the airplane requirements of these ships.

"The outstanding results attained during the recent Panama manoeuvres," said Mr. Adams, "proved that naval aviation is probably equal to any emergency."

In the request for parity of aircraft carriers the report did not specify whether the navy wished the maximum tonnage of 135,000, permitted under the Washington treaty, or merely a figure to equal the British aircraft carrier tonnage, which is in the neighborhood of 107,000.

The secretary reported an enlisted strength of about 84,000 for the year.

PREMIER TELLS ENGINEERS OF ROADS OF B.C.

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"Turn to roads and we find that 22,000 miles have been built in this British Columbia of ours. I think it only right to say that, on the whole, they are the best roads of any province in Canada. Up to the present this province has spent between $35,000,000 and $40,000,000 on roads. With improved methods and machinery the cost will be reduced in the future."

OUTLOOK FOR ENGINEERS

Engineers of today should be more than mere technicians; they should have vision and take an active interest in their communities; their opportunities in British Columbia are only bounded by ambition.

This was the burden of a message delivered to members of the association at a luncheon, held in Hotel Georgia today, preceding the business session of the annual meeting of the organization. The speaker was Mr. C. P. Browning, general manager of the Britannia Mining Company, Limited.

OFFICERS ELECTED

The following officers were elected for the coming year: President, Mr. W. R. Bonnycastle; councillors, Messrs. A. S. Gentles, J. I. Newell, W. N. Cunliffe, W. O. Marble. As past president, Mr. A. S. Wootton will take his place on the council. Four other councillors are selected by the Provincial Government.

The past year saw the biggest increase in membership in the history of the association, according to a statement made by Mr. Wootton, who gave his presidential address during the afternoon.

Gains in membership during the year number 103 fully licensed engineers, thirty-six engineers in training and ninety-seven engineering pupils.

A Jewish merchant sent out invitations for his daughter's wedding with R.S.V.P. at the bottom of them. This, he explained in brackets, stood for "Real Silver Vedding Presents."

Hope-Princeton Route to Reduce Journey From Coast To Interior by Day's Travel

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The plan which will be adopted by Mr. Lougheed looking to early completion of this important road will be that of constructing any roads that may be required for mining purposes or to serve communities, so that they may eventually become part of this main highway. Already, fortunately, some of these have been on location, and in future they will all be on location.

REASON FOR CHOICE

The objective of the Department of Public Works in reaching a conclusion in the matter was to secure a road that would conform to the best practice on grades and with low elevations. Fortunately such a route has been found, and when complete it will, according to Mr. Lougheed, "be of surprisingly low elevation and with standard grades throughout its entire length."

One of the routes was rejected because of the fact that an elevation of 5,810 feet would have to be attained, which it was felt would be most unsatisfactory throughout a great part of the year.

The selected route, the minister says, will require only fifty-six miles of entirely new road to be constructed to complete it.

It will leave the Cariboo Road at Hope and follow southeastward along the Nicolum River, following the old Sappers' Trail. Of this twenty-four miles are already built and cars able to go from Hope to the crossing of the Skarst River.

From there the route would be fairly straight over the Allison Pass to the headwaters of Cambie Creek, which is followed to Sumkaun River. It will follow along the river turning eastward not far from the United States boundary, and then running northeastward to the junction of Copper Creek with the Similkameen. The road will then turn due north to a point opposite Copper Mountain. From this point to Princeton the road is already constructed.

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The lady alighted from her car in a sleepy Somerset village, and with her companion, another lady, proceeded to look over the ancient church which was one of the historic "sights" of that locality.

Meeting the sexton, a very aged man, they asked him a question or two concerning the history of the church, but as he was extremely deaf, progress was difficult.

At the end just before their departure, the lady said loudly: "Don't you find it very awkward being deaf?"

"No, mum," was the old chap's reply. "There ain't nuthin' to hear in this place—'ceptin' when visitors coom axin' questions an' they bain't worth hearin'."

A bald-headed man who has heard that the hairs of our head are numbered wants to know if there is not some place where he can get the back numbers.

COUNCILLORS ENTER FIELD IN ESQUIMALT

Messrs. Albert Heald, Thomas Hadfield and Charles H. Smith to Seek Re-election to Council

REEVE J. ELRICK EXPECTED TO RUN

With the election day in Esquimalt a little over five weeks away, the three councillors, Mr. Albert Heald, Mr. Thomas Hadfield and Mr. Charles H. Smith, whose terms expire at the end of this month, announced yesterday that they would seek re-election to office.

Whether or not anyone will oppose the three councillors remains to be seen. Last year it was thought that the councillors seeking re-election to office would go in by acclamation, but at the last minute three others announced their intentions and it is expected that others will enter the field this year.

Councillor Albert Heald has been a member of the council for the past seven years and is the oldest member, with the exception of Councillor Alexander Lockley, who was reeve for several years. He was chairman of the parks committee during the two years that Captain R. P. Matheson was chief magistrate and held the same position on the finance committee last year.

When Reeve James Elrick appointed the standing committees at the first of the year he chose Councillor Heald as chairman of the fire and lights committee. At the last meeting of the council Mr. Heald brought up a motion from this committee that the members of the fire department be given an increase in pay and only after a lengthy argument did he succeed. From the first year of his election up to the present Mr. Heald has been a member of the finance committee and therefore has a very good insight on the financial conditions prevailing in the municipality.

Mr. Heald is a returned soldier and gave voluntary services during the Boer and the Great Wars. "If Reeve Elrick does not seek re-election to office I shall run for the reeveship," said Councillor Heald yesterday.

Councillor Thomas Hadfield, who has been a resident of the district for many years, has served three years on the Police Commission, an equal number on the School Board and is completing his second on the council. One of Mr. Hadfield's chief interests in the district is the solving of traffic problems and making the roads safe for pedestrians. He also is deeply interested in establishing a seaplane base in Esquimalt.

Mr. Hadfield was appointed chairman of the library committee at the beginning of the year, and through his efforts the situation was settled to the satisfaction of the residents. The rate for obtaining books from the library has been maintained and Mr. Hadfield stated yesterday that he expects it to be carried out on the same basis during 1930.

Councillor Charles H. Smith, who has been a member of the council for the past three years, will probably base his election platform on the industrial and development work done throughout the year. Mr. Smith is chairman of the parks committee and has brought up many important items for discussion during his time on the council.

REEVE UNDECIDED

Although Reeve James Elrick has failed to make any announcement as to whether he will run again, it is more than likely that he will seek the reeveship for another term. For the past two years the reeve has been returned to the head of municipal interests by acclamation, and the general opinion throughout the district is that he will be returned again this year if he enters the field.

Three seats will be open on the School Board as Trustees Mrs. Isbister, Alexander Lockley and Major J. A. P. Crompton vacate their seats at the end of the month. Police Commissioner Sidney R. Bowden's term also expires at the end of the year, but as yet he has failed to make any announcement.

TOC H NOTES

The Toc H birthday festival, which is being observed all around the world this week, will be celebrated by the Victoria group with a special service at the Centennial United Church, Gorge Road, tonight. His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor and Miss Mackenzie will attend this service. Members of the group are asked to assemble in the church parlor on David Street, at 7:15 o'clock.

The December guest night of the group will be held on Tuesday evening, December 10, in the Toc H O Pip, 521 Bastion Street. The speaker guest of the evening will be Mr. J. Gordon Smith.

"My husband," confided Mrs. Brown to her friend, "will persist in wearing trousers that are much too long, and when I tell him about them he gets angry. What do you suggest?"

"Well," replied her friend, after a few moments' reflection, "try pulling his leg!"

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Are Seeking Re-election

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COUNCILLOR C. H. SMITH

Who will seek re-election to the Esquimalt Council when the electorate goes to the polls about the middle of next month. Councillor Hadfield has served on the council the past two years, while Councillor Smith has been interested in municipal affairs for three years.

LUMBER OUTPUT IS AGAIN DECREASED

SEATTLE, Dec. 7.—Lumber production in the Northwest decreased 28,000,000 board feet during the week ending November 30, the West Coast Lumbermen's Association reported yesterday. The report covered 223 mills in Oregon, Washington and British Columbia. The decrease, as compared with the week previous, represented a general observance of the Thanksgiving holidays, the report stated.

Production for the week totaled 154,406,156 feet, as compared with 182,190,887 for the preceding week, while orders were 118,505,017 feet as compared with new business of 137,-666,316 for the preceding week.

SPAIN WILL EXPAND NAVY

Former Great Maritime Power Will Be Sought by Iberian Kingdom

TO FEATURE SUBMARINES

MADRID, Dec. 7.—Spain is planning to recuperate some of her lost prestige of other centuries on the seas by pursuing a naval construction policy, which officials of the Ministry of Marine say will rank her sixth among the great world powers. The vessels, some of which were begun about two years ago, are to be built in Spanish shipyards at Cartagena, Cadiz and Ferrol and will all be under construction by June, 1932. Completion of the programme is expected within three years.

At present the Spanish navy is made up of sixty-three ships of all classes, mostly smaller craft. The largest are the Alfonso XIII and the Jaime I, each of 15,700 metric tons displacement. Naval experts claim that in trials some of the boats have exceeded thirty-eight knots. Officials said that in its new construction programme Spain would continue to cling to the idea of building small craft, as it was felt that it would be useless to try to compete in extravagant expenditure with the larger powers in launching dreadnoughts.

Among the boats plannde for the new programme are eight destroyers of 1,800 tons, twelve submarines of 1,000 tons and various auxiliary craft. The recent naval manoeuvres in the Mediterranean at which the Dictator General Primo de Rivera, King Alfonso XIII and naval officials were present, served to indicate the present strength and efficiency of the navy. While officials, after the exercises, declared themselves fully satisfied with results, it is expected in the naval ministry that the projected additions will bring Spain to a more logical place in sea power. One of the divisions in which the country will be best fortified will be summarines, which will reach a total of twenty-five under the building programme.

Outside the storm raged. The thunder rolled and lightning flashed almost continuously. Presently a bolt struck Mr. Jones and knocked him out of bed. He rose, yawned, rubbed his eyes, and said: "All right, dear, I'll get up."

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MR. HAMILTON RECALLS LAND TAX CAMPAIGN

Praises Effort of Late Mr. J. C. Brown to Secure Improvement Taxation Exemption

PRINCIPLE HAS REMAINED INTACT

The career of John Cunningham Brown and his efforts towards inculcating within this province the principles of Henry George in the cause of single taxation policy, were told at a special luncheon meeting of the Henry George Association of Victoria, which was held at David Spencer Limited yesterday by Mr. Alexander Hamilton, of Pender Island.

Mr. Hamilton, who was introduced by the chairman, Mr. W. A. Jamieson, said that this had been a red letter year for the principles of single taxation, and referred to the recent conference at Edinburgh called to promote free trade and the taxation of land values.

The speaker read an interesting and plain-spoken editorial, written by Thomas Turnbull, which appeared in the "Single Tax Advocate," a paper published in New Westminster in the year 1889.

Mr. Hamilton stressed the fact that a citizen, producing useful and wholesome food upon the land, might work for a lifetime without making a fraction of the money obtained by the successful speculator in real estate.

DISTINGUISHED CAREER

Mr. Brown, continued Mr. Hamilton, built up a distinguished career as a journalist, a postmaster and warden of the penitentiary at New Westminster, apart from municipal politics. As soon as the people of New Westminster saw his efficiency upon the city council they elected him to the Legislature of the province. He was instrumental in altering taxation so that high-priced land should pay the highest taxes, and he further managed to secure a $500 exemption on improvements upon each pre-emption, which exemption was afterwards increased by the Oliver Government to $1,500.

"No matter what party is in power," Mr. Hamilton concluded, "the single tax is an economic necessity. His colleagues were amateurs, but Brown was armed and equipped with the irresistible logic of Henry George."

Professor R. Mobius, in a few words, proposed a hearty vote of thanks to Mr. Hamilton and the motion was seconded by Mr. F. P. Rand. Among those present at the luncheon were Mrs. J. Petrie, Miss Mary Hamilton, Messrs. J. Petrie, Alex Peden, Percy Watson, F. Shakespeare, F. C. Green and H. H. Hollins.

WILLOW BRAMBLE CASE APPEALED

Notice Is Served by Mr. Frank Higgins, K.C.—Ownership of Racing Mare Involved

Mr. Frank Higgins, K.C., yesterday served notice of appeal to the Court of Appeal from the judgment delivered in the County Court by Judge Lampman, in the suit of Mrs. Margaret Childs versus Mr. Louis Nelson and Mrs. Nelson, awarding possession of the racing mare, Willow Bramble, to Mrs. Childs. The Appeal Court is asked to restore Willow Bramble to the Nelsons and to award damages. The ground on which the appeal is based are that the judgment is against the weight of evidence, that it errs in its interpretation of the law, and that it errs in the application of the law to the facts brought forth in the evidence.

The recent trial of this case in the County Court was followed with much interest by the racing fraternity. Mrs. Childs claimed that Willow Bramble had been bought for her, with her money, by Mr. Nelson. The Nelsons claimed that they had put up the money and that the mare had been bought for themselves. Replevin proceedings brought the dispute before the courts.

NO PUBLIC CHECKERS

LACROSSE, Wis., Dec. 7.—Playing checkers in public places has been forbidden by Mayor John E. Langdon in his campaign against gambling devices. "If we closed up all other games and let checkers stay," he said, "the poolrooms soon would be gambling on checkers."

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Sunday, December 8, 1929

NEXT THURSDAY'S VOTE

The municipal election of next Thursday is shorn of some of its interest because there is no contest for the mayoralty. Another factor that promotes public apathy in the event is that no money by-law is being submitted to the property owners. Nevertheless there is a responsibility, and one of a grave character, resting on the voters, and particularly in the matter of the calibre of the aldermen whom they elect to office. Those aldermen, because civic guarantees are involved, will have to share the onus of seeing that such projects as the grain elevator, the cold storage plant and the worsted mill, which were sanctioned by the voters, are operated in such fashion that there is no financial loss to the taxpayers. This task is one of prime importance for the Mayor and City Council during 1930, as well as in succeeding years.

The municipal voters, if they realize their responsibility to elect those best qualified to safeguard their interests, will not hesitate in turning out to the polls on Thursday next. The greater civic interest is displayed at election time the more any community will progress. There are sidelights in connection with the present campaign that should also lead to a large vote. There is public resentment because aldermanic salaries were raised during the past year, and because of this those now to be elected should be pledged against any further raids on the civic treasury. There is the question, too, of the attitude of the aspirants for office towards the heavy municipal taxation from which this city suffers and which has been instrumental in leading to a heavy list of reverted lands. During the municipal campaign of 1928 the promise was dangled before the property owners that definite relief could be anticipated in the mill rate for 1929. That promise was unfulfilled. The aldermen wanted on our City Council are those who will work all the time for such relief, inasmuch as lower taxation would prove the greatest of all inducements to an increase in population. These are some of the factors which should arouse our voters to a higher interest in municipal politics than has been evidenced up to the present in the current campaign for office. It will prove for the benefit of civic development if there is a substantial vote on Thursday next.

THE FUTURE OF SINGAPORE

Hong Kong, the Federated Malay States and New Zealand have contributed $10,565,000 towards the cost of the Singapore Naval Base, work on which has now been "slowed down" by the British Labor Government. The excuse for this action, given by Mr. Alexander, the First Lord of the Admiralty, is that owing to the imminence of the Five-Power Naval Conference there is a possibility that a decision may be reached at that gathering to abolish the naval base at Singapore. In view of the fact that the cost of the base, up to date, has been largely borne by the contributions from outside Great Britain herself the action of the Labor Government is open to criticism because the parties that have subscribed $10,565,000 were not consulted before the "slowing down" process was put into effect.

Apart from the latter fact the question of a naval base at Singapore is a matter for Empire decision, pure and simply. Its provision is essentially one of Empire strategy, and the question of strategy should not be thrown into the maelstrom of international politics. The issue before the Five-Power Conference, as engineered by Premier Ramsay MacDonald, is developing more and more as an attempt to obtain international sanction to a definite weakening of British sea power, and particularly in the matter of its relative strength with that of other nations. Singapore is one of the keys that unlock Great Britain's ability to police the Seven Seas, to protect her Empire and safeguard her commerce. It is the watch-tower of her defence of her prestige in the Pacific Ocean. The future of Singapore should be in the keeping of the British Empire alone, not a matter to be regulated by the jealousies of rival naval Powers.

FINGERPRINT ADAPTATIONS

The difficulties that often arise in a person proving his or her identity and the value of the fingerprint system were recently explained to a London audience by Dr. C. Ainsworth Mitchell, a surgeon attached to Scotland Yard. The ordinary person, when asked to furnish proof of identity, would, he said, produce his birth certificate; but in many instances births had not been registered. The testimony of friends and relatives was also not infallible, as they might have left the country; and he quoted several instances of mistaken identity, citing the famous Tichborne case and that of Adolph Beck. Another method of identification often adopted by sailors was tattooing; but this was liable to imitation. Dr. Mitchell showed on the screen how faces could be built from skeletons by experts using standard measurements, ascertained from various nationalities, and he narrated how such a face was built up from plasticine and led to the identification of Dominico Rosso, an Italian, who was found murdered in a New York cellar, and had been missing for over a year.

The first discovery of the use of fingerprints proved a valuable aid to the process of identification. The imprint of a hand of a prehistoric man found on the wall of a cave in America, showing the particular markings on the fingertips, proved that those patterns had been noticed at a very early period; but the first attempt to use them as a means of identification was made by Sir William Herschel in 1853, when he was a commissioner in India. He noticed that if the natives were asked to place their fingers on a document they regarded it as something sacred, and would never repudiate it. The idea occured to him to use this as a means of identifying different people. Fingerprints are permanent and indestructible. Even after the original pattern may have been burnt off it is always restored when the new skin grows. This is a fact not generally appreciated by criminals who frequently mutiliate the skin of their fingers in vain efforts to avoid tell-tale fingerprint evidence. In this case time works with the investigator and not the malefactor.

All animals have "fingerprints." In the lower animals the markings are comparatively simple, but when the ape stage is reached the markings are found to be very similar to human prints. Dogs and cows have very marked patterns on their noses. "You ink the nose," says Dr. Mitchell, "and make the cow do the printing. It may be that in time," he says, "everyone who signs a cheque will have to make a fingerprint, and it would be well if this could be done when a person makes a will, as we should then have more certainty than we have at present."

MARGIN TRADING

One way to prevent a stock market collapse such as recently occurred on the New York Exchange, and adversely affected every exchange on the continent with dire results in the spread of poverty, would be the prohibition by law of margin trading. Margin trading leads to artificial stimulation and has metamorphosed stock exchanges into the greatest gambling agencies on earth. It is too much to hope that any government would have the courage to prohibit margin trading just on moral grounds alone. For economic reasons, however, such a course would be justified. Governments must have seen during some weeks past the results of stock exchange gambling. They are apparent in every city, town, village and hamlet throughout the country. No process of education will wean the people from the desire to get something for nothing. In the case of margin trading they should be saved from their own gullibility by legislation to exercise artificial stimulation from the stock markets. As Bumble says, "the law is a ass—a idiot," when it eliminates fan tan from the scheme of legitimate practices, and permits, in the full blaze of publicity, a process which makes the stock exchange the greatest gambling device known in history.

Atheism is the State creed in Russia. Before fore membership can be secured in the Communist Party there must be a renunciation of religious faith. Agitation and propaganda against religion goes on all the time. It is persecuted and reviled. Without religion there can be no morality. And it is with a religionless Government that the British Labor Government is now entering into diplomatic relations. In other words, a Christian country is shaking hands with atheism.

Mr. Forke, the Minister of Immigration, appears to have a predilection for foreign immigrants to the Dominion. He has been trying to arrange with Saskatchewan for the settlement there of 5,000 more Mennonites. Premier Anderson, however, says, no! Saskatchewan's new policy is that the time is ripe for better consideration to be given to the English-speaking section of the population.

The people of the United States spend $700,000,000 a year at soda fountain counters. The expenditure on intoxicating liquors also increases steadily. Their's is a climate, it would appear, that requires liquid refreshment.

The Weather

Meteorological Office, Victoria, B.C., at 8 p.m., December 7, 1929.

TEMPERATURES AND PRECIPITATION

	Min.	Max.	Snow
Victoria	43	48	--
Vancouver	38	44	--
Kamloops	30	32	--
Prince George	12	18	--
Estevan Point	36	44	--
Prince Rupert	32	36	--
Dawson	22b	20b	--
Seattle	44	46	--
Portland ....Rain, .01	44	48	--
San Francisco	50	58	--
Spokane	28	34	Trace
Los Angeles	52	68	--
Penticton	21	36	.03
Vernon	30	35	--
Grand Forks	33	35	--
Nelson	25	33	--
Kaslo	24	38	--
Cranbrook	15	30	--
Calgary	8	22	--
Edmonton	10	14	--
Swift Current	6	14	Trace
Prince Albert	4	12	--
Qu'Appelle	4b	8	--
Winnipeg	16b	4	Trace

FORECASTS

Victoria and Vicinity—Moderate to fresh southerly and westerly winds; generally fair and colder.

Vancouver and Vicinity—Light to moderate winds; generally fair and colder.

SATURDAY

Maximum	48
Minimum	43
Average	45
Minimum on the grass	35

Bright sunshine, 5 hours 18 minutes.

General state of the weather, cloudy.

5 P.M. WEATHER REPORTS

Victoria—Barometer, 29.91; wind, S.W., 18 miles; cloudy.

Vancouver—Barometer, 29.86; wind, S.W., 4 miles; cloudy.

Kamloops—Barometer, 29.68; calm; cloudy.

Prince George—Barometer, 30.00; wind, N., 4 miles; fair.

Prince Rupert—Barometer, 29.94; wind, W., 4 miles; fair.

Estevan Point—Barometer, 29.92; wind, N.W., 12 miles; fair.

Tatoosh—Barometer, 29.90; wind, S.W., 10 miles; cloudy.

Portland—Barometer, 29.98; wind, S.E., 4 miles; cloudy.

Seattle—Barometer, 29.92; wind, S.W., 12 miles; cloudy.

San Francisco—Barometer, 29.94; wind, S.W., 4 miles; cloudy.

TO A BLIND POET

Let me be eyes to you; that you may find
The long-remembered landscapes of your dreams;
Sunlight and shadow, swallows in the wind,
The wide-flung tapestry of hills and streams.

For I shall fill my soul so full of stars,
And all the mystic wonder of the night,
That your fine spirit, beating at its bars,
May know once more the ecstacy of sight.

—B. J. B. MacA. in Glasgow Herald.

Next to the study of language the study of good literature should be named. To read good books—the best books; to read them slowly and carefully, getting the full force of every sentience, and the full significance and beauty of every figure and illustration—this is a great aid in mastering the art of expression and is itself a liberal education.—Washington Gladden.

The use of money is all the advantage there is in having money.—Benjamin Franklin

Note and Comment

By R. B. D.

We have been charged, and charged from a source very near home, with having been guilty of the indiscretion of sniping at Mr. George Bernard Shaw and Mr. Arthur Brisbane, and of expressing views almost as gloomy as the views of the Gloomy Dean upon the affairs of the world at large and the affairs of the British Empire in particular. We have been told that Mr. Shaw as a very brilliant man and Mr. Brisbane as an extremely clever newspaper commentator should be exempt from criticism by the very small fry of the journalistic profession. Well, we are also told that a cat may look at a king, we have seen a very small bantam cock ruffling his neck feathers and impudently strutting around a bellicose rooster more than three times his size and weight, and we have seen a terrier dog absolutely destitute of fear challenging a brute as big as a mastiff to "come on and fight."

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While we admire the genius of Mr. Shaw for making plays and money and the ability of Mr. Brisbane for making an interesting daily story of next to nothing, we must be excused for thinking and saying that both the brilliant Irishman and the clever American are occasionally caught giving currency to views intended to humbug the people who read what they say and what they write. We have said that out of his own mouth Mr. Shaw has convicted himself of being a Socialistic humbug. We read Mr. Brisbane's interesting columns daily, and we do not hesitate to say that almost every day Mr. Brisbane proves himself a demagogue.

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There was an article from the pen of Mr. Brisbane published in the ineffable Hearst newspapers a few days ago which we preserved for reference and comment. Here is a part of the article which arrested our attention and aroused our curiosity: "The Government (United States Government) sends a note of protest to Russia, Britain and China joining in. Britain's Foreign Secretary is careful to tell the House of Commons that the thing was done at the suggestion of the United States. . . . . It is all right to make mild suggestions. Let us hope that this country will not be put in a position to spend billions, and without success, to help some witless financiers to get back loans stupidly made to the Czar and Kerensky, when a baby should have known better."

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No doubt the witless British financiers made a grievous business error when they lent great sums of money to the representatives of a country which was in a state of revolution. But the money was lent in the hope of keeping Russia in the war and saving Britain and Europe from the disaster of defeat. It was lent for patriotic motives rather than in the hope of receiving handsome returns in interest. Experience has proved that the witless British financiers made a mistake. They did not save Russia from the consequences of a revolution, and they apparently have lost their money.

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But that was not the first mistake made by witless British financiers. During the American revolution the predecessors of those witless British financiers lent what at the time was considered large sums of money to several of the belligerent States, which afterwards repudiated their obligations, and although the States have since been in a position to pay without serious inconvenience, they continue to repudiate their obligations. Compared with such sharp and shrewd Americans as Mr. Brisbane, British financiers may be stupid, but they have always met their legal as well as their moral obligations. The Great War was waged and won on British credit, and it is not Britain that is enjoying the fruits of victory.

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And if we are occasionally somewhat pessimistic in our views of the affairs of the world, we are going to quote something to prove that we are not singular in such views. Speaking on the affairs of Great Britain, the new Lord Mayor of Leicester, who seems to be a keen observer of the trend of events, said:

We local administrators are perhaps prone to claim too much for progress by the improvements we know have been effected in the social conditions of our people. Altogether England is an immensely more comfortable place for her people to live in. Social progress in material things has certainly been made. I often wonder if movement—progress—in the higher sense has been its accompaniment. Are we individually—ethically and spiritually improved? Are we wiser, stronger men? A great deal can be learned from the decline and fall of ancient civilizations. Chiefly the outstanding causes of this decline were the obliteration of the individual, and the effeminacy and deterioration which followed wealth and luxury. To some thinkers and students—even in these so-called hard times—the former is operating on by far too large a scale, while many sections of English society appear to be endangered by the latter. With regard to the former there is justification for fear with regard to our systems of education. We are not developing in the great majority of our people individuality, a high sense of personality. The children go through our schools, elementary, higher and university, according to social position. I am thinking of the mass and not the exceptions, and the result in the mass is stereotyped indifference to hard effort, and an utter lack of appreciation of what is known as the higher things of life.

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But all the time, pleasure continues to widen and deepen her appeal, and with ever-growing success. I am no kill-joy—no alarmist—certainly no pessimist, but I cannot study the steadily increasing amount spent year by year on the varying forms of pleasure and indulgence without concern. The money value is known, and is appalling. The moral loss cannot be seen in statistics, and, therefore, cannot be tabulated. But who would challenge the accuracy of the generalization? Is pleasure and indulgence to be followed by decline and fall? It certainly would if pleasure and indulgence were not arrested. Can they be arrested? I earnestly think they can. England must overhaul herself. She must continue to improve environment, but at the same time she must direct very definite and sustained effort to bring about a higher sense of personal responsibility in each individual, in each potential citizen.

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Going Down the Peace River Back to Civilization

By A. E. H.

With the completion of the field work for 1929 the various parties employed on the P.G.E. resources survey returned to civilization, some by way of the Crooked River to Prince George, others by way of the Peace River and E. D. & B. C. to Edmonton. One party of seven leaving Hudson's Hope on October 22 had quite an interesting trip as far as Peace River Crossing, a distance of 240 miles, from which place they took the train to Edmonton. They traveled in an open boat equipped with an outboard engine that averaged about ten miles an hour running with the current.

About an hour and a half's run from Hudson's Hope is Hell's Gate. The banks of the river at this point are sheer rock cliffs some fifty feet high, and it is divided by an island with similar precipitous edges. It is not particularly dangerous.

Below Hell's Gate the Halfway River comes in. This river drains a very fine cattle country; the north fork is still open to settlers. It was on the Halfway that the well-known Federal ranch was located. Unfortunately a severe Winter found the occupiers with insufficient hay put up and most of the stock died.

AT CACHE CREEK

The party stopped at the mouth of Cache Creek the first night. Cache Creek comes into the Peace forty miles below Hudson's Hope. During supper the school teacher and her husband arrived at the camp and invited everybody to a neighbor's house for the evening. It sounds rather unusual, but hospitality in the North knows no limits.

The house was a good size with a large central living room, comfortably furnished. There were eight children and their mother at home; a more intelligent looking group of youngsters it would be hard to find. Those of school age were studying throughout the evening, and while the presence of the school teacher may have influenced them in this, they appeared to be very much in earnest.

These people, who were of Swedish extraction, had come from the middle western states a few years ago. The mother was warm in her praise of the Peace River country and said they had already tripled their holdings. Her husband was away in the East at the time, buying more farm machinery.

The survey party spent a most enjoyable evening, and if the gramophone records such as "A Big Rock Candy Mountain" were a trifle out of date, the music on the violin and guitars supplied by the missionary and his wife, who were present, was excellent. The hostess was kindness itself.

There were two other farms near this one, and as is usually the case in small communities, they all were at enmity with one another. The people who had entertained the men owned a car, and when returning from a drive would often find broken glass strewn on the road. Somebody's idea of a nice, affectionate welcome home.

The men slept under the stars that night as they did on the two succeeding ones passed on the trip.

The following morning at seven o'clock the river boat Weaver passed, pushing a long scow ahead of her. This launch is at present the only one doing freighting on the river.

The survey party got away to an early start and after two hours' traveling arrived opposite Fort St. John. There is not much to be seen at the river, the Hudson's Bay post and settlement being a few miles back. The thousand horse-power steamer D. A. Thomas (named after Lord Rhondda) had been stranded on a bar there since last July.

DRAMATIC INCIDENT

It was at this point that the journey nearly came to a sudden conclusion. In order to keep in deep water it was necessary to hug the left bank until about thirty feet from a sunken dredge, then to turn at right angles and pass in front of it. The water was very fast there and as luck would have it the engine stalled as the boat was cutting across. It was carried broadside into the dredge, smashing with terrific force into two steel uprights. Happily, one of the men managed to break the force of the blow by ramming his pole against one of the uprights. As it was, the side of the boat bent in to almost breaking point and dipped to the water level. One of the men, "Skookum" Davidson, remarked, no doubt truthfully, when they were at last clear, "Thank God we didn't wreck her or they'd have said we were all drunk."

There was little to be seen of the surrounding country from the river. The north bank was bare and very similar to Kamloops side hill; the south was scantily timbered. The sun shining more on the north bank is the reason for this difference.

Farther down the party passed Taylor's Flats where the Government ferry (a scow fastened to a motorboat) was crossing some horses and a truck. This ferry is the connecting link between the road from Pouce Coupe and Rolla, and that from Fort St. John to the Peace.

A stop for lunch was made on the Alberta boundary, which is marked by a wide sky line.

Engine trouble cut down the next day's mileage. A moose swam the river just in front of the boat in the afternoon. Nothing else of interest occurred till the following morning when Dunvegan was reached.

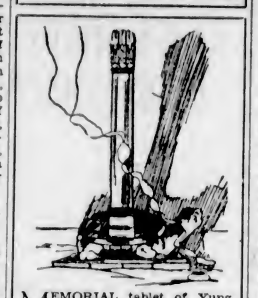
Dunvegan at one time entertained hopes of being on the railroad, justly, since the line from Edmonton to Peace River Crossing and Grand Prairie, E. D. & B. C., stands for Edmonton, Dunvegan & B. C. It never reached Dunvegan, let alone B. C. There is a cable ferry at Dunvegan.

In the early afternoon a monument on the bank of the river commemorating Sir Alexander Mackenzie's passage up the Peace in 1792 was passed and also an old Catholic Mission.

At three o'clock the steel bridge at Peace River Crossing came in sight and there the trip ended.

There was a glorious sunset that evening. A purple mist lay over the prairie and the western horizon was like a living flame. It was a sunset such as is only to be seen on the northern plains.

Jots From Geography



MEMORIAL tablet of Yung Loh, the greatest of the Ming Emperors of China, is a simple shaft of wood surmounted on the finest marble tortoise in the land. The gold lettering on the shaft tells that Yung Loh fortified Pekin, and made it China's capital, besides making a compilation of encyclopaedias with 11,100 volumes.

The Rhyming Optimist

By Aline Michaelis

SOLITUDE

One dwelt remote in solitary place.
All comradeless from fragrant morn till dark,
Day after day he saw no brother's face,
His confidante the rose, his friend the lark.
Each flower, each dog, each lamb with plaintive bleat
His care enfolded and his love caressed.
And one passed daily down a city street,
Where youth and power and pride his shoulders pressed;
Fair Love stretched fingers rosy as the day,
Wan Want went hand in hand with creatures lost;
Unheeding all alike he went his way,
Nor these, nor any of life's countless host
Could ever on his shadowed heart intrude,
For there, enthroned, dwelt sullen Solitude.

MINISTER LEAVES FOR CONFERENCES

Hon. J. Hinchliffe Gathers Data Preparatory to Legislative Session

Hon. J. Hinchliffe left yesterday afternoon for the Mainland, where he will be occupied with matters affecting his department until nearly the middle of the week. He has some matters of detail to attend to, which were to occupy him last evening.

On Monday he will meet the joint committee representative of the Union of British Columbia Municipalities and the British Columbia School Trustees' Association, which is lending him every assistance in the solving of the taxation question connected with the schools of the province.

He has met with them before and discussed the problem, but it was agreed that they would secure further material relative to this troublesome problem, and present it to the minister at a later meeting. This is the reason of the approaching conference on Monday.

On Tuesday the Minister of Education will hold a meeting with the governors of the University of British Columbia, when the subject of the requirements for the coming year will be discussed. This will form the basis for the preparation of the estimates as far as the university grant is concerned, and while there will probably be further conferences on the matter before the amount is finally agreed upon, a good start is expected to be made at this meeting.

This is essentially necessary in view of the approach of the session of the Legislature when the amount voted to the University of British Columbia will have to enter into the estimates for the year, as brought down by the Government.

FIFTY YEARS AGO TODAY

(From The Daily British Colonist, December 8, 1879)

A company has been formed in Glasgow, Scotland, to operate in the forest lands of Washington and Oregon, for the purpose of utilising a process of clearing forests by steam.

Snow fell heavily at various places on Puget Sound yesterday morning, and the Metchosin hills already wear the fleecy mantle of Winter.

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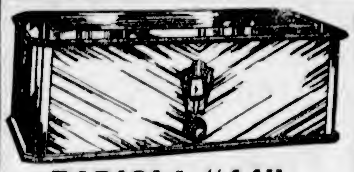

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CLUB CALENDAR

MONDAY—Gyro Club, Empress Hotel, luncheon, 12:10 p.m.

MONDAY—Kiwanis Forum, Chamber of Commerce lounge room, 8 p.m.

TUESDAY—Kiwanis Club, Empress Hotel ballroom, luncheon, 12:10 p.m.

TUESDAY—Round Table, Empress Hotel, supper, 6:15 p.m.

THURSDAY — Rotary Club, Empress Hotel ballroom, luncheon, 12:10 p.m.

FRIDAY—Usadians Club, Dominion Hotel dining-room, luncheon, 12:45 p.m.

Mr. J. B. Munro, deputy minister of agriculture, will address the Victoria Rotary Club at its luncheon meeting next Thursday at 12:10 o'clock in the Empress Hotel ballroom on the subject: "The Seed Situation in British Columbia."

Mr. Munro will also present the prizes to the winners of the annual Rotary seed growing contest for children on the southern end of Vancouver Island, who will be guests of the clubmen at the luncheon. Mr. Norman Rant, chairman of the committee in charge of the competition, will also address a few words to the gathering.

The Rotarians had a most successful cabaret function last week, when a splendid programme of entertainment was greatly enjoyed. One of the feature events of the fete was the group of dances given by pupils of Miss Nell Thacker.

TO TELL OF TRIP

Colonel C. W. Peck, V.C., D.S.O., M.P.P., who commanded the 16th Canadian Scottish Battalion in the Great War, and who yesterday returned from attending the Prince of Wales' dinner in London to holders of the Victoria Cross, will be feted by two service clubs in Victoria this week. He will be guest of honor and speaker at the Gyro Club's luncheon tomorrow at noon, and at the weekly luncheon of the Kiwanis Club on Tuesday at 12:10 o'clock. Both gatherings will take place in the Empress Hotel.

The Gyro Club will hold its big Christmas dinner party on Monday night, December 16, in the Empress Hotel ballroom. Dancing will be indulged in from 7 o'clock until midnight, with entertainment features and an address by Mr. B. C. Nicholas included on the programme. The annual meeting and election of officers will take place at a supper meeting on Monday, January 13.

There are 309 cities in Canada and the United States which this year have added new playground and recreational facilities due to Kiwanis Club enterprise. Clubs in these communities purchased ground sites and equipment, built swimming and wading pools and engaged instructors and supervisors. Health clinics were established and doctors, who are Kiwanians, lectured to parents on child hygiene. Expenditures in aggregate for these activities ranged from $2,000 to $40,000 per club.

"The Use and Abuse of the English Language" is the theme of a discourse which Very Rev. Dean C. S. Quainton will deliver to members of the Victoria Table of the Loyal Knights of the Round Table, at their supper meeting on Tuesday night, at 6:15 o'clock, at the Empress Hotel.

Mr. Graham Spry, national secretary of the Association of Canadian Clubs, is expected to arrive in Victoria this week, and will confer with members of the executive of the Men's Canadian Club on either Wednesday or Thursday afternoons. He is the first permanent secretary ever secured by the national organization, and has occupied his present post since 1926. On a former visit here, he addressed the local club.

May Yet Run for Saanich Board of School Trustees

IN the issue of The Daily Colonist, published Tuesday, November 26, it was stated that Trustee W. P. Jeune had definitely decided not to stand for next year's election of the Saanich School Board. The statement, at that time, was no more than the truth, but Mr. Jeune has since been so inundated with protests from people all over the municipality, that he is at present reconsidering his decision, and told The Colonist yesterday morning that he may yet enter upon a third term of office.

Mr. Jeune headed the polls when he was elected to the board two years ago, and has distinguished himself during the intervening period as a straight talker and a fearless defender of his own principles.

Obituary

McGINNIS—The death occurred last evening at St. Joseph's Hospital of Mrs. Mary Ellen McGinnis, widow of the late Mr. John McGinnis, of 938 View Street. The late Mrs. McGinnis was seventy-one years of age, born in Ontario and a resident of this city for the past forty-five years. There survive two sons, Fred and John R. McGinnis, at home, also two brothers in Ontario. The remains are resting at the Sands Funeral Chapel at present and mass will be celebrated at St. Andrew's Cathedral on Tuesday morning at 9 o'clock by Rev. Father W. G. Smith, and the remains will be laid to rest in the family plot at Ross Bay Cemetery.

SELLICK — The funeral of the late Mrs. Jennie Sellick took place yesterday afternoon at 2 o'clock from the Thomson Funeral Home, 1625 Quadra Street, Rev. O. L. Jull officiating. There were many friends present and the casket and hearse were covered with beautiful floral tributes. The hymns sung were "Nearer, My God, to Thee," and "Jesu, Lover of My Soul." Mr. Lawton Partington presided at the organ. The following acted as pallbearers: Messrs. J. Blair, B. Cross, G. Mills, F. Johnson, A. C. Wilson and Williams. The remains were laid to rest in Ross Bay Cemetery.

GREGORY — Funeral service for the late Albert Edward Gregory will take place Monday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock from the Thomson Funeral Home. Rev. Dr. Sipprell will officiate. Mr. Gregory was fifty-nine years of age, a native of England and a resident of Victoria for the past nineteen years. He is survived by one son, F. W. E. Gregory, of Victoria, and a sister in England. Interment will be in the family plot in Royal Oak Cemetery.

HENLY — The remains of Mrs. Margaret Jane Henly were laid to rest in Ross Bay Cemetery yesterday afternoon, the funeral taking place from Hayward's B.C. Funeral Chapel at 3:15 o'clock. Rev. A. deB. Owen officiated in the presence of a large number of friends. The hymns sung were "Abide With Me" and "Nearer, My God, to Thee." A profusion of beautiful flowers were received and placed on the casket and hearse. The pallbearers were Messrs. J. T. Henly, W. H. Cox, H. J. Stevenson, W. Mills, F. H. Ross and W. S. Duncan.

FOLGER—The funeral of Captain Albert Coffin Folger took place from Hayward's B.C. Funeral Chapel yesterday afternoon at 2 o'clock, Rev. A. deB. Owen officiating. Among the many friends attending were a number of his seafaring associates. The pallbearers were as follows: Captain C. I. Harris, Captain M. Mathieson, Captain William Hallgren and Messrs. Henry Siebenbaum, E. Simpson and C. Lee. The remains were laid to rest in Ross Bay Cemetery.

PRIDHAM — Many friends attended the funeral of the late Edward Randolph Pridham, which took place yesterday afternoon from McCall Bros.' Funeral Home. Rev. Thomas Keyworth conducted the service, during which the hymns "O Happy Day" and "Nearer, My God, to Thee" were sung. Interment was made at Ross Bay Cemetery, with the following as pallbearers: Messrs. J. Black, J. Casey, D. Gunn, R. John, P. John and C. Post.

DEAN — The funeral of Mrs. Ellen Jane Dean, who passed away last Tuesday at the Royal Jubilee Hospital took place yesterday afternoon at 2 o'clock from the Sands' Funeral Chapel. Relatives and friends were in attendance and many beautiful flowers covered the casket and the floral racks at the chapel. Mr. H. J. N. de Salis officiated and Mrs. Stokes sang a solo entitled "Saw Ye My Saviour," written by Mrs. Mary Baker Eddy. Messrs. A. W. Pitkethlay, C. S. Marchant, R. H. Wilson, A. Riddle and W. Blenderleith acted as pallbearers and the remains were laid to rest in the Royal Oak Burial Park.

HILLBORNE—Mr. Joseph Lundy Hillborne, a fox breeder of Sooke Road, Colwood, died at his residence yesterday morning shortly after 10 o'clock. His death followed a lengthy illness which was brought on by a paralytic stroke some weeks ago. For many years he had been a resident of Victoria, having been interested in the nursery business here. He is mourned by his widow, one son, S. H. Hillborne, of Vancouver, and one daughter, Miss Eva Hillborne, of Sooke Road; also one adopted son, Mr. Alfred A. McLachan, of West Summerland. The late Mr. Hillborne was seventy-one years of age, born in Arcona Ont. The remains are resting at the Sands Funeral Chapel and will be removed Tuesday noon to his home at Sooke Road, where the funeral will take place on Tuesday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. Rev. Dr. W. J. Sipprell and Rev. Daniel Walker will officiate and the remains will be laid to rest in the Royal Oak Burial Park.

VIRTUE ESTATE PROBATE ISSUED; VALUE $111,168

Probate issued last week in the Supreme Court for the estate of John Alexander Virtue, late of Oak Bay, the value of the estate being sworn at $111,168. The late Mr. Virtue died on July 12 of this year. Since 1891 he had been proprietor and manager of the Oak Bay Hotel, and previous to that had been manager of the Hotel Vancouver, Vancouver. As manager of these hotels he had become known to residents of all parts of the world and had made an outstanding reputation.

Probate was also issued for the estate of Charlotte Belina Castig Castiglione, late of Victoria, the value of the estate being sworn at $9,900.

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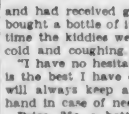

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Mr. A. Jaffray, 64 Cadillac Avenue, reported that five ten-dollar bills had been taken from a bureau in one of the bedrooms of his home. Returning home at 10 o'clock on Friday night, Mr. Jaffray heard footsteps upstairs, which he believed to be those of his son. This assumption was found to be incorrect when later a stranger ran down the stairs and out of the front of the house. Mr. Jaffray saw a sedan car drive away. The burglar had apparently worked downstairs first as the rooms there were all topsy-turvy.

The homes of Mrs. L. McKay, 3704 Earl Grey Street; Mrs. A. Ward, 3724 Harriet Road; Mrs. A. Griffiths, corner of Quadra Street and Palmer Avenue; Mr. W. T. Spreadborough, 859 Phoenix Street, and Mr. Carver, Carey Street, have, it is understood, been entered, but nothing taken.

Following this epidemic of burglaries, a warning has been issued to householders by police departments to lock their doors and windows at night and not leave any money loose in the house.

INTEREST WANES

Religious Instruction Classes Have Been Abandoned for Lack of Support by Pupils

The extension of public school hours in the upper grades and an increase in after-school activities, have led the authorities of Christ Church Cathedral, with the consent of parents concerned, to abandon the experiment of conducting weekday classes for religious instruction in the Memorial Hall.

The classes were begun five years ago, when the public schools closed at 3 o'clock and were held daily from 3:45 p.m. in the Memorial Hall. Boys and girls attended from a number of public schools in the district, the highest number enrolled being 118. The instruction and use of the gymnasium afterwards, were free to all, irrespective of religious affiliation.

During the past two years, the addition of subjects in Grades 7 and 8 in the public schools, and the extension of organized games and other activities, have resulted in a steady decline in attendance at the Memorial Hall classes. Children frequently arrived late, and their attendance became most irregular.

After making a study of the situation, the Cathedral authorities and the Diocesan Board of Religious Education, concluded that it was hardly just to expect children at so late an hour in the afternoon to be alert and keen for religious studies. This decision was confirmed by parents, who attended a meeting held last week in the Memorial Hall.

During the past five years a number of teachers have assisted in carrying on the work, both in the classrooms and in the gymnasium. The greater part of the instruction in the classroom has been given by Miss M. E. F. Watt, whose work has been highly appreciated by parents and children.

FUTURE POLICY

The Cathedral authorities have announced that the abandonment of the weekday classes will be followed by a fresh study of the whole question of religious education. Arrangements have already been made for the formation of study groups to meet early in the new year, to which parents and teachers will be invited.

It is at present proposed that some of these groups will consider the responsibilities of parents for the religious training of their own children in the home, and will seek to discover what assistance may be needed by parents to attend to this work more faithfully and effectively.

Others will make a study of the problem of Christian education in its broader sense, and will endeavor to secure the viewpoint and opinions of parents, public school teachers and others interested. The question of improving the work of Sunday schools will also be considered.

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WEEKLY CALENDAR

Monday—The executive council of the Pro Patria Branch of the Canadian Legion, B.E.S.L., will meet at 8 o'clock.

Tuesday—General meeting of the Pro Patria Branch of the Canadian Legion at 8 o'clock. Delegates who attended the Dominion convention at Regina recently will make their reports.

Wednesday—Pro Patria Branch weekly dance from 9 o'clock to 12 o'clock.

Friday—Pro Patria Branch weekly whist drive, commencing at 8:30 o'clock.

Christmas Party — The annual Christmas party of the Pro Patria Branch of the Canadian Legion, B.E.S.L., will be held in the auditorium of the clubrooms on December 28. All members wishing their children to attend are advised to file the names and ages of their children with the secretary immediately.

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Roof Fire—A roof fire at 907 Blanshard Street at 7:28 o'clock last night was extinguished by the Victoria Fire Department before any serious damage resulted.

Canners Meet Executive—Members of the executive of the British Columbia Canners met the members of the Government yesterday morning for the purpose of presnting to that body certain details connected with the industry in the province.

To Attend Church.— The Lieutenant-Governor and Miss Mackenzie have accepted the invitation of Rev. George Pringle and will attend the fourteenth anniversary service of Toc H at Centennial Church this evening.

Oak Bay Court of Revision—It has been announced that the Oak Bay Court of Revision on the municipal voters' list, for the year 1930, will be held in the Municipal Hall, Oak Bay, on Tuesday, December 10, at 5:15 o'clock.

Town Planning Commissions—In forwarding to the Government the suggestion to establish a central control authority over provincial town planning commissions the Vancouver branch will suggest that the central authoritative body should be located in Victoria.

Transfers and Sales—City Assessor George Okell states that sales and transfers of Victoria property between January 1, 1929, and November 28 last, totaled $6,016,963, on title changes recorded at the Land Registry Office for the period. Both business and residential property are included in the total, with actual sales comprising the greatest proportion of the total recorded.

Addresses Engineers — Premier Tolmie left for Vancouver yesterday afternoon to be present at a dinner given by the Association of Professional Engineers. Mr. Tolmie will henceforth devote his attention to the preparation for the approaching session, and for that reason finds it necessary to refuse to appear at functions which will take him away from the capital.

Freight Rates Case—Mr. Leon Ladner, K.C., M.P., was in the city yesterday conferring with the Premier relative to the freight rates case, which is now before the Canadian Privy Council. Mr. Ladner announces that a postponement in the date upon which the Privy Council will consider the appeal has taken place, and it is not now likely to get before that body until about January 25.

Japanese and School Taxation—Hon. J. Hinchliffe, Minister of Education, intends to study the problem of the Japanese residents of Richmond, Steveston, their centre, being within that municipality, in regard to school services, during his present visit to the Lower Mainland. The difficulty is to secure a basis of contribution to educational costs by Japanese parents whom the present law practically fails to reach. The minister is informed there is no intention of the Japanese to evade the issue.

Campaign of Education—The policy which the B.C. Telephone Company will adopt in the forthcoming months to educate the people of Victoria and district to use the dial system will be outlined by Major Hamilton, the vice-president and general manager, when he meets the Chamber of Commerce directors on Friday to explain the installation of the system in this area. It is the intention to conduct an intensive education campaign over several months, so that the public may be prepared for the alterations when the new system is operating.

Success of Local Poultry—Among the prize-winning poultry at the Provincial Poultry Show held in Vancouver last week were a number of exhibits by Mr. J. Sarsiat, 3317 Tennyson Avenue. Special prizes secured were for best male and female, best cockerels, best pullet in show, best hen in show, best pair of particolor; best pen, male and female, French; best pen, male and female, Polish; best pen, male and female, Hamburgs. In all, Mr. Sarsiat won twenty-one firsts, nine seconds, seven thirds and six fourths.

A.O.U.W. Elects Officers—At a meeting held on Friday, in the K. of C. Hall, Victoria Lodge, No. 1, A.O.U.W., elected officers for the ensuing term as follows: Worshipful Master, Bro. C. J. Wrigglesworth; foreman, Bro. R. Y. Williams; overseer, Sister Borde; secretary, Bro. J. M. Stansby; treasurer, Bro. G. McCutcheon; financial secretary, Bro. C. T. Wrigglesworth; representative to grand lodge, Bro. L. H. Borde; alternate, Bro. Luxton. After the election of officers, a carpet bowl match was played between picked teams from Victoria Lodge No. 1 and Vancouver Lodge No. 7, which resulted in a win for Victoria. A joint installation will be held on Friday, January 3 in the K. of C. Hall.

SAANICH ASSOCIATION WILL HOLD MEETING

Mr. C. H. Dickie, M.P., Will Address Conservatives on Tuesday Evening

The Saanich Central Conservative Association will hold its regular meeting in the Conservative Rooms, Campbell Building, on Tuesday evening. Mr. W. O. Wallace, the president, will be in the chair and Mr. C. H. Dickie, M.P., will be present and address the meeting.

Refreshments will be served. A good attendance is hoped for, as in addition to the address of Mr. Dickie it is anticipated the president will have some important announcements to make.

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Mamie—"Yes, I wish I were dead or married. Preferably the latter."

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A private sale of French novelties brought from Paris and England, suitable for Christmas presents, will be held at "Armadale," 241 Niagara Street, on Wednesday, December 11, 3 to 6.

Women's Canadian Club—Luncheon, Empress Hotel, Saturday, December 7, 12 noon. Speaker, Lady Clare Annesley, "Britain's Foreign Policy." Tickets, $1.00, at Scurrah's, Fletcher Bros.' and Angus Campbell's.

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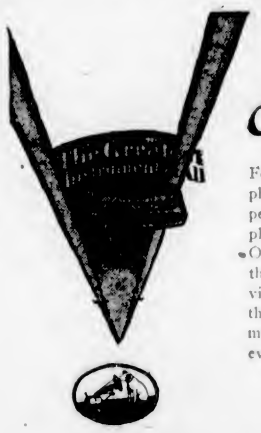

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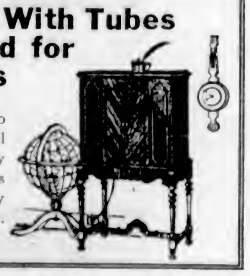

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Col. Peck Is Home From V.C.'s Dinner

Colonel C. W. Peck, V.C., D.S.O., M.P.P., reached the city yesterday morning, arriving from the Mainland by airplane from Vancouver. He was accorded a most hearty reception on his return.

Hon. J. Hinchliffe, representing the Government of the province, was on hand to greet him, in company with Mayor Anscomb, and officers of the Canadian Scottish, and representatives of the Canadian Legion.

The colonel spoke in the highest terms of the reception accorded the Victoria Cross men on their visit to London to attend the Prince of Wales' dinner.

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That all pledges had been met, grants made to the church wardens and towards the new cathedral, the usual bale of clothing sent to the boy at Alert Bay Indian Mission School, adopted by the auxiliary, and money raised for a new altar, by the Women's Auxiliary to St. John's Church, was reported by the president, Mrs. A. Bischlager, at the annual meeting. In the unavoidable absence of the secretary, Mrs. W. M. Prevost, Mrs. J. Fletcher presented the secretary's report. Mrs. J. S. Robinson, treasurer, also reported. Officers elected were F. G. Christmas, honorary president; Mrs. A. Bischlager, president; Mrs. R. C. Macgregor, first vice-president; Mrs. J. S. Robinson, second vice-president; Mrs. W. H. Purver, recording secretary; Mrs. W. S. Gwyn, corresponding secretary; Mrs. J. Fletcher, treasurer; Mrs. W. M. Prevost, altar secretary; Mrs. A. D. Thorpe, Living Message secretary; Mrs. L. Langlois, thank-offering and extra cent-a-day secretary; Mrs. Prevost, war memorial shrine secretary; Mrs. T. Pitt, Mrs. C. Dobson and Mrs. G. Jarvis, Dorcas committee; Mrs. Christmas, representative on church committee; Mrs. Bischlager, missionary prayer partner; Mrs. Bischlager will also superintend the junior branch, assisted by Mrs. J. E. Saunders, Mrs. W. T. Corbishley and Mrs. D. H. B. Holmes; Mrs. W. E. Corfield, little helper's superintendent.

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Chemainus Review

The Chemainus Review No. 19, Women's Benefit Association, held its business meeting in the Knights of Pythias Hall on Thursday with a very fair attendance. All correspondence was dealt with, and reports were received from the committee in charge of the entertainment held on Wednesday night, when the sum of $30 was cleared. It was decided to donate $15 of this sum to the Queen Alexandra Solarium and the remaining $15 to be used to provide Christmas cheer locally. Following the business reports nomination of officers for the ensuing year took place as follows: President, Mrs. J. Cook; vice-president, Mrs. E. R. Hallberg; past president, Mrs. H. English; reporting secretary, Mrs. Harry Smith; financial secretary, Mrs. C. Cave; chaplain, Mrs. Cherrington; sergeant, Mrs. Baker; lady of ceremonies, Mrs. Greenhorn; inner hostess, Mrs. Nicholson; outer hostess, Mrs. Robertson; musician, Mrs. G. Jacobson; color bearer No. 1, Mrs. D. W. Murray; color bearer No. 2, Mrs. F. Work; platoon leader No. 1, Mrs. McKay; platoon leader No. 2, Mrs. Estridge. Following the meeting tea was served, Mrs. Cherrington being tea convener.

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Allies Chapter Tea

The Allies Chapter, I.O.D.E., will hold a silver tea tomorrow in the Wesley Hall, Sidney, from 3 to 6 o'clock. Selections will be played during the tea hour by the H.M.S. Resolution Chapter Trio, which promises to be mose enjoyable. Everyone is cordially invited to attend.

Chemainus Anglican W.A.

The Women's Auxiliary to the Church of St. Michael's and All Angels' held its annual meeting in the parish room on the afternoon of Thursday. There were fifteen members present, one new member, Mrs. Rice, joining. After the usual business had been attended to the election of officers from the nominations of the previous meeting took place. Mrs. Walter Porter was re-elected president; Mrs. N. F. Lang, vice-president; Mrs. C. Cave, secretary; Mrs. H. E. Knight, treasurer; Mrs. V. Jackson, thank offering secretary; Mrs. A. E. P. Stubbs, Living Message secretary; Mrs. A. D. Aiken, Little Helpers' secretary. Mrs. J. H. Inglis agreed to play the organ for the Sunday services for the present, and Mr. Eric Knight was appointed to attend to the church fires on Sundays. The sum of $25 was voted for necessary toys, etc., for the Sunday school treat. Mrs. Chrow, the Junior W.A. superintendent, intends to visit Chemainus and address the W.A. some time during January.

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Britannia Lodge

The regular meeting of Britannia Lodge, No. 216, L.O.B.A., was held in Orange Hall, Courtney Street. Mrs. Kelman, worthy mistress, presided. The committee reported that they had all preparations made for the sale of work to be held in the Sailor's Institute. Three candidates were passed to the scarlet degree.

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Dr. O. M. Jones Chapter

The monthly meeting of the Dr. O. M. Jones Chapter, I.O.D.E., will be held on Tuesday evening at the home of Miss K. Brown, 1344 Minto Street, at 8 o'clock.

Princess Patricia Lodge

Princess Patricia Lodge No. 238, Order Daughters of St. George, met in Harmony Hall on Friday, Mrs. Jane presiding. The captain of the guards on behalf of the guard team presented Mrs. Cooper, the pianist, with a bouquet of bronze chrysanthemums. Mrs. Graham, on behalf of the officers and members, then presented the retiring president, Mrs. Jane, with a bouquet in the colors of the order. The district deputy, Mrs. Quinn, assisted by the guards, then installed the following officers for the ensuing term: Mrs. Jane, past president; Mrs. Restell, president; Mrs. M. Latham, vice-president; treasurer, Mrs. Reeve; financial secretary, Mrs. Armstrong; recording secretary, Mrs. Lawson; chaplain, Mrs. H. Graham; first conductor, Mrs. Herring; second conductor, Mrs. Burke; inside guard, Mrs. Muters Read; outside guard, Mrs. Green. Mrs. Jane presented the district deputy with a bouquet with the thanks of the lodge. Refreshments were served by the committee.

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Quadra P.-T.A. Bazaar

A very satisfactory amount was realized at the annual bazaar of the Quadra Parent-Teacher Association, which was held on Wednesday, under the convenership of Mrs. V. McN. Rolfe. The bazaar was opened by Mrs. William Muncy. The following ladies were in charge of the various stalls: Fancywork and knitting, Mrs. Jeune, Mrs. Meston, Mrs. Ross; aprons and plain sewing, Mrs. Novis, Mrs. Miles, Mrs. Kirby; home cooking, Mrs. Entwistle, Mrs. Schmelz, Mrs. Smith, Mrs. Scoular; afternoon tea, Mrs. Yule, Mrs. Gough, Mrs. English, Mrs. Brown, Mrs. Alton; house hously, Mrs. Coleman, Mrs. England; candy, Miss Bradshaw, Miss Harling, Miss Fox, Miss Meade, Miss Gilliland, Mrs. Griffiths. The following ladies won prizes: Mrs. Harper, lamp; Mrs. Hogg, embroidered pillow slips; Mrs. George, doll; Mrs. Heaslip, groceries; Mrs. Smith, Christmas cake. Nine tables of court whist were in play during the evening. Refreshments were served and prizes given.

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To Help Church Funds

The entertainment and sale, held under the auspices of the Women's Auxiliary of Holy Trinity Church in Sooke Hall on Friday evening, was a great success, both financially and socially. Rev. H. W. Bolton, vicar of the church, gave the opening address. Those in charge were as follows: Hand-made articles and fancy needlework, Mr. G. Throup; home cooking and candy, Mrs. Locke and Miss Pink; refreshments, Mesdames M. Jackson, E. I. Muir, P. Snape and Miss Phillipia Cook; doll and cake guessing table, Mrs. McBride. A delightful programme interspersed the evening, by the following: Songs, Mr. and Mrs. Stacey, Mr. Page, Mrs. Syrett; reading, Mrs. Locke; recitations in costume, Mrs. Baton. The winners of the cakes were Master Roy Thompson and G. McIntosh. The winner of the doll was Mrs. W. Cains. Over $70 was realized, which will go to church funds.

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Britannia Lodge

The Britannia Lodge No. 216, L.O.B.A., held its sale of work in the Seaman's Institute, Superior Street, on Thursday. The following acted as stall holders: Fancy goods, Mrs. Hunter and Mrs. Munkley; home cooking, Mrs. Nicholas and Mrs. McMillan; candies, Mrs. Millar and Mrs. Cuthbert; lotto, Mrs. Murray and Mrs. Gilson, afternoon tea, Mrs. Reed, Mrs. Groves and Mrs. Jane; peep-into-the-past, Mrs. Berry. Mrs. Kilman welcomed the visitors. Mrs. Wilson was general convener, assisted by Mrs. Hunter. The bedspread was won by Mr. D. Dewsbury, Hillside Avenue. The cake was won by Mrs. Reid, Lake Hill.

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Daisy Chain Chapter

The Daisy Chain Chapter of the I.O.D.E., one of the junior chapters of the order, will graduate into the ranks of the primary chapters, and business with reference to the matter was dealt with at the monthly meeting held at the home of the regent, Mrs. S. P. Moody, on Thursday evening. The members will hold a tea dance at the Crystal Garden early in the New Year at the time when the University of British Columbia students are in the city for their annual "invasion." The chapter will also sell tickets for the opening tea at the Empress Hotel on December 21. At the close of the meeting the members enjoyed a game of bridge, and refreshments were served by the hostess.

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Duncan United Church

Members of the Get-Together Circle of the W.A. of Duncan United Church and their husbands were guests of Rev. W. F. Burns at his home on Friday evening. Two amusing contests were arranged by the circle leader, Mrs. James Highsted. The apple contest was judged by Mrs. I'Anson, the winning group being awarded a large apple pie. Miss May I'Anson won the vegetable contest, the consolation prize going to Mr. John Baker. Readings were given by Mr. James Highsted and Mr. W. S. Corble; vocal solo, Mr. P. R. Dobson; piano and violin solos by Miss I. Corrie. Refreshments were served by Mr. Burns, assisted by Mrs. Highsted and Mrs. Dobson.

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Columbia WA.

The monthly meeting of Columbia W.A. Diocesan Board will be held on Thursday in St. Barnabas' Parish Hall. Members are asked to note the change of day, and that the meeting will commence at 7 o'clock. To accommodate members of the business women and girls' branches a light supper will be served in the hall at 6 o'clock, and it is hoped that there will be a good attendance. At 8:15 o'clock Archdeacon Laycock will give an address on the Northern missions on Vancouver Island, which he will illustrate with lantern slides that he has made of the district during his recent visit.

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Canadian Daughters

Canadian Daughters' League, Victoria Assembly No. 20, will hold its regular meeting on Tuesday. A large attendance is hoped for, to discuss important business in the year's work

Camosun Chapter

The regular monthly meeting of Camosun Chapter, I.O.D.E., was held on Wednesday at the Union Bank Building. A letter of sympathy is to be sent to the family of the late Mrs. Courtney in their recent bereavement. A resolution is to be forwarded to Municipal Chapter concerning Mrs. Croft's memorial. Mrs. Hopkins gave an account of the Armistice period service held in the Victoria High School, the adopted school of the chapter, which is nearly always attended by the regent at all their particular sessions.

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Central W.C.T.U.

The meeting of the Central W.C.T.U. was held on Friday afternoon at the home of Mrs. E. A. Mitchell, Superior Street. A beautiful picture of the Christmas spirit was presented by Mrs. Knox. After the business had been dealt with the report of the Provincial Prohibition Convention was given by Mrs. M. C. Wilkinson. A social half-hour followed, the hostess being assisted by Mrs. Fair and Mrs. McKean in serving refreshments.

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St. Mark's W.A.

Under the auspices of St. Mark's W.A., Cloverdale, an amusing comedy entitled "All a Mistake," with interesting cast of characters and scenery, will be put on in St. Mark's Hall, Tennyson Road, on Thursday and Friday evenings. The characters are all taken by well-known people connected with the church, and the attendance at rehearsals augurs well for the success of the play.

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Colfax Rebekah Lodge

Colfax Rebekah Lodge will hold a tea at the Hudson's Bay Company tea rooms tomorrow afternoon at 3 o'clock, in honor of the president of the Rebekah Assembly, Mrs. Mary Knight, to which all members are invited.

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St. Saviour's Auxiliary

The next of the social evenings under the auspices of St. Saviour's Church Auxiliary will be held on Tuesday evening, in the Parish Hall. Mrs. Harper and Mrs. Gard will be the conveners.

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Y.W.C.A. Bible Class

The Y.W.C.A. Bible class will meet this afternoon at 4:30 o'clock. The subject for discussion is "A Father's Love." A cordial invitation is extended to all girls and women.

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Scouts Auxiliary

The Women's Auxiliary to the Boy Scouts met on Thursday afternoon at the Memorial Hall. The annual meeting will be held on January 9, when officers will be elected.

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King's Daughters

The Ready-to-Help Circle of the King's Daughters will meet tomorrow afternoon at 3 o'clock at the home of Mrs. A. B. McNeill, 1141 Oscar Street.

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Pro Patria W.A.

The W.A. to the Pro Patria Branch, Canadian Legion, will hold its monthly meeting tomorrow at 8 o'clock in the clubrooms, Courtney Street.

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Triumph Lodge

The monthly meeting of Triumph Lodge, No. 16, I.O.G.T., will be held on December 10, at 8 p.m., at the home of Mrs. Schofield, 632 McPherson Avenue.

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Jubilee Hospital Alumnae

The quarterly meeting of the Jubilee Hospital Alumnae will be held tomorrow evening at the Nurses' Home at 8 o'clock.

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Navy League Chapter

The Navy League Chapter of the I.O.D.E. will meet on Thursday at 2:45 p.m. at headquarters.

Folk Songs and Music Of Scandinavia to Be Rendered on Tuesday

On Tuesday evening next in the Metropolitan Church, Mr. Ira Dilworth will sketch the origin of music and art in general in the Scandinavian countries of northern Europe, the occasion being an evening devoted to the folk songs and music of the countries comprising Scandinavia. Following is the programme to be rendered: Quartette: (a) "Yes, We Love With Fond Devotion," Nordrack; (b) "I Laid Me Down to Rest"; (c) Wermeland: Thelma Johns, Dorothy Parsons, Nelson Hicks and Dr. T. H. Johns; 2, soprano solo, "Solve's Song," Grieg, Thelma Johns; 3, piano solo, "Selected," Grieg, Dorothy Morton; 4, organ solo, "Sinti," "Erotik," Grieg, Mr. Edward Parsons; 5, soprano solo, "To Norway," Grieg, "Sing, Nightingale, Sing," Kyerulf, Thelma Johns; 6, bass solo, "Last Night," Kyerulf, "The Young Birch," Edgeborg, "Knud Lavard," Gade, "My Thoughts Are as the Mighty Hills," Grieg, Dr. T. H. Johns; 7, piano solo, "Refrain de Berceau," Palmgren, Dorothy Morton; 8, soprano solo, "By a Kiln," Palmgren, "Autumn," Palmgren, Thelma Johns; 9, organ solo, "Finlandia," Sibelius, Mr. Edward Parsons; accompanist, Miss B. Hicks.

ASTRONOMERS TO ADDRESS SOCIETY

A more than ordinarily interesting programme has been prepared for the annual meeting of the Astronomical Society to be held at the Girls' Central School on Tuesday. In addition to the annual reports and election of officers Dr. J. S. Plaskett and Mr. J. A. Pearce of the Dominion Astrophysical Observatory, will address the society on subjects of current interest in astronomy.

Dr. Plaskett, who has just returned from Pasadena, where he was called to consult with officials of the Mount Wilson Observatory concerning the design of the projected 200-inch telescope, will give a brief account of the progress made in the construction of the giant instrument.

Mr. Pearce, the retiring president of the Victoria Centre of the Society will give the principal address of the evening, taking as his subject, "The Rotation of the Galaxy."

Women's Institutes of Vancouver Island

STRAWBERRY VALE

Under the auspices of the Strawberry Vale Women's Institute, a sketch, "Go Slow, Mary," will be presented by the young people of the First United Church tomorrow in the Strawberry Vale Hall at 8 o'clock. The proceeds will go toward providing Christmas cheer for the needy of the district, and a good attendance is requested.

SOOKE AND NORTH SOOKE

The annual meeting of the Sooke and North Sooke Women's Institute was held in Sooke Hall on Friday at 2:30 p.m., with an attendance of eighteen members. The report of the conveners of public health and child welfare was given by Mrs. Horwood, education and better schools by Mrs. Hereman, also an account of fifteen meetings, five addresses and three dances held during the year, the acknowledgment of $10 by the secretary of the Travelers' Aid fund. Mrs. Scholefield. The officers for the year were as follows: President, Mrs. E. Horwood; vice-president, Mrs. M. Jackson; secretary, Mrs. W. Cains; directoors, Mrs. S. Charters and Mrs. R. Strong. A vote of thanks to the retiring officers was passed by Mrs. A. Wilson. Through a request by Mrs. Syrett in behalf of the Canadian Legion, the Institute will donate the sum of $10 to that body, which is planning to organize a form of entertainment for the Winter. Upon motion the sum of $10 will go to the Sooke School and $5 to assist the school at North Sooke.

ROYAL OAK

Royal Oak Women's Institute is holding a December meeting on Wednesday at the home of Mrs. H. B. Oldfield, Elk Lake. Members will meet at 2 o'clock for a short business session, and election of officers, followed at 3 o'clock by a birthday silver tea, to which friends are cordially invited. The dance, which was to have been held on Friday, has been postponed to December 20.

WILL LECTURE ON "BONNIE PRINCE"

"Bonnie Prince Charlie" will be the subject of an illustrated lecture by Mr. J. G. Brown at the Burns Club meeting in Amphion Hall on Tuesday, commencing at 8 o'clock. Mr. Brown has made a close study of the romantic and colorful prince, and will undoubtedly render an illuminative and well-informed address. Assisting him will be Mrs. W. A. Jameson, Mrs. Arthur Dowell, Mrs. Georgina Watt, Miss Marjorie Watson, Mrs. C. L. Armstrong, Mr. James Petrie and Mr. Robert Morrison.

Hunt Club Meets

The Victoria Hunt Club's course lay between the Willows and Mount Douglas yesterday afternoon, Mr. J. R. Scoby and Miss Wyles acting as hares, and the following taking part in the chase: Mr. and Mrs. Macallan, Major and Mrs. Alan Swinton, Mrs. Dugald Gillespie, Mrs. Lindsay, Mrs. Homer Dixon, Miss Billings, Miss G. Harris, Miss Rowena Horsey, Miss Evelyn Williamson, Miss Margot Dixon, Miss Mary Hunter, Mr. V. Bagshawe, Mr. J. Bessonette and Master Richard Garrett. Tea was served at Emsworth House by Mrs. Macallan following the ride.

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Empress Hotel

2nd C.M.R. Reunion To Be Held Saturday

The 2nd C.M.R. Battalion (C.E.F.) are holding their annual reunion dinner at the New Orpheum Cafe, Granville Street, Vancouver, at 7 o'clock, Saturday, December 14. A large number of ex-members of the unit are expected to be present.

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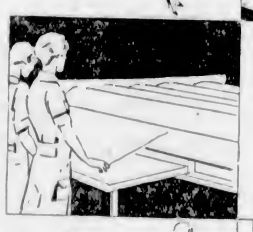

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Leaves for Toronto

Mr. Martin Hodsoll has left for his home in Toronto, after a short visit to his cousin, Mrs. Kenneth Cunningham Moore.

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Announce Engagement

Mr. and Mrs. Walter E. Staneland announce the engagement of their niece, Honora Theresa, to Dr. William Darby Higgs, elder son of Mr. and Mrs. F. F. Higgs, Albert Head. The wedding will take place Saturday, December 28, at 8:30 p.m., in the Metropolitan United Church.

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From Osoyoos

Dr. and Mrs. W. F. Plaskett, of Osoyoos, B.C., are spending a few days at the Glenshiel Hotel.

Coming of Age Party

A delightful party at which over one hundred and sixty guests were present was given at the Temple Hall, North Park Street, on November 26 by Mr. and Mrs. Alex. McL. Florence, in honor of the latter's sister, Miss Bessie R. Dick, who celebrated her twenty-first birthday. The guest of honor was the recipient of many beautiful gifts, including a lovely two-tier birthday cake. The guests adjourned to the dining-room, where supper was served. The tables were beautifully decorated in a color scheme of blush pink and violet and vases of white chrysanthemums. Mr. J. Tyson, an old friend of the family, proposed the toast of the evening, to which the guest of honor responded in a few suitable words, after which dancing was again indulged in to music supplied by a three-piece orchestra.

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Noted American

Rev. Arthur Metcalfe, a distinguished Congregational minister of the Holy Community Church, of El Paso, Texas, will speak at Metropolitan Church this evening. Dr. Sipprell will have charge of the service. Mr. Metcalfe numbers in his church Protestants and Catholics and presents a unique feature of a united Christendom. He has come North to attend the wedding of his daughter in Seattle, and is the guest of Miss Braik, of Elford Street. Miss Braik, president of the W.M.S. of Metropolitan Church, was a member of Mr. Metcalfe's church in Kansas.

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Reception Held

An informal reception was held on Friday afternoon at the Victoria School of Expression in honor of the Stratford-Upon-Avon Festival Company. The guests were received by Mrs. Wilfrid Ord, assisted by Mrs. R. H. W. Clowes and Mrs. H. Maunsell. Tea was served by Mrs. A. W. Pitkethley, assisted by Mrs. E. A. Campbell.

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Entertains at Tea

Mrs. C. D. Donald was hostess at a small tea party at the Beach Hotel on Thursday afternoon in honor of Mrs. Adrian Hope, who recently arrived from Halifax to join her husband, Lieut. Commander Hope, R.C.N., at Esquimalt. Lieut. Commander and Mrs. Hope have taken up residence at 810 Wollaston Street, Esquimalt.

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New Thought Dance

The monthly dance of the members and friends of the New Thought Temple took place on Friday evening in their new hall, Fort Street. A special feature of the evening was a Highland reel by a few enthusiastic Scots who were present. Refreshments were provided by the Ladies' Club.

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Engagement Announced

—Photograph by Knight.

MISS DAPHNE GILLESPIE — LIEUT.-COMMANDER BARNES

The engagement is announced of Ellen Daphne, second daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Alex. Gillespie, of Victoria, B.C., a granddaughter of the late Mr. George Gillespie and Mrs. Gillespie and also of the late Mr. J. H. Todd and Mrs. Todd, to Lieutenant-Commander G. B. Barnes, R.C.N., son of the late Lieutenant-Colonel G. E. Barnes, C.B.E., R.M.A., and of the late Mrs. Barnes, of Crofton, B.C. The wedding will take place on December 28.

Dance for V.C.

In honor of Col. Cyrus Peck, V.C., and Mrs. Peck, a dance will be given by the members of the 16th Canadian Scottish officers' mess on Friday. His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor and Miss Mackenzie will be present at the dance, which will be held in the mess rooms at the Armories.

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Tea at Empress

Among those reserving tables for tea at the Empress Hotel yesterday afternoon were Mrs. Watson, Mrs R. Baird, Miss Straith, Mrs. H. Bird, Mrs. W. G. Crawford, Mrs. Riley, Mrs. Mercer, Miss Tillman, Messrs. Stacpoole, McKenzie, Matthews and others.

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Leaves for Orient

Captain J. A. Duff Robertson, Wilmot House, sailed yesterday on the Empress of Canada to spend eight or nine months in the Orient.

Metchosin Personals

Dr. Chester Brown, of the Quarantine Station, left on Thursday for Ottawa and expects to be gone several weeks.

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Miss Stretton entertained on Friday evening with two tables of bridge.

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Miss Audrey Tremayne, who for the past few days has been with her parents, Dr. and Mrs. Tremayne, of William Head, has recovered from her recent illness and will return today to Shawinigan Lake, where she is attending school.

Galiano Personals

In honor of Miss Eva Ambrose, whose marriage to Mr. Oswald New will take place shortly, Mrs. Victor Zala entertained at tea Wednesday. The tea table was presided over by Mrs. Twiss, Miss Betty Lord assisting the hostess, and was lighted by red candles in blue and silver holders. It was centred by a miniature bride under an arch of Autumn leaves. The guests were Mrs. Gilmour, Mrs. Heryet, Mrs. Harris, Mrs. Patience, Mrs. S. Page, Mrs. New, Mrs. Lord, Mrs. Bambrick, Mrs. Hume and Mrs. Finlay Murcheson.

TAKE PART IN CABARET

The names of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Groves, who took part in a humorous interlude at the cabaret at Amphion Hall on Friday evening, were omitted by mistake from the programme.

C.P.R. Social Club

The C.P.R. Social Club held its last Saturday night dance at the Empress Hotel last evening and for the remainder of the season the weekly dance will be held on Thursdays, the first being set for December 12. The dance committee has arranged that the masquerade dance will be held on January 30, when good prizes will be given.

VICTORIA WEST P.-T.A.

A grand concert will be held under the auspices of the Parent-Teacher Association of the Victoria West School in the school auditorium on the evening of Friday, December 13, at 8 o'clock sharp, when the following artists, well-known in Victoria, will contribute to the attractive programme: Mrs. Bowden, Miss Edith Howell, Miss Winnie White, Miss Dorothy Norton, Miss Nellie Thacker and her pupils, Master Billy Inglis, Mr. J. J. Mathson, Mr. George Green, Mr. N. Thomas, Mr. S. A. Veal, Mr. J. Jones, Mr. B. Hardy and others.

At Beverley Apartments

Guests at the Beverley Hotel Apartments include Mr. and Mrs. E. Hodgson, Calgary; Mr. J. Dunlop, Mrs. J. Wilson, Mrs. H. Wilson, Mr. J. Smith, Vancouver; Miss B. F. Wright, Bowser; Mrs. Clegg, Seattle; Mr. and Mrs. J. Dunn and child, Toronto; Mr. T. J. Roushorn, Watrous, Sask.; Mr. A. Burns, Mr. A. G. Hirst, Mrs. and Miss Watson and Mrs. A. Gibson, Victoria.

Odd Fellows Meeting

All members of local lodges and visiting brothers are invited to an initiation ceremony to be held on Monday, December 9, at 8:30 o'clock, in I.O.O.F. headquarters, Douglas Street, when two prominent citizens will take their first step in Odd Fellowship, joining Victoria Lodge No. 1.

The degree team will report to the master immediately on arrival for instructions and a full attendance of Victoria Lodge No. 1 members is requested. All other business being secondary to degree work, a short business session is anticipated to enable the initiation ceremony to get under way promptly.

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Under the direction of Mr. William Tickle, a musical programme will be given this evening at 8:45 o'clock at the Empress Hotel. The programme will be as follows: Overture, "Guarany" (Gomez); selection, "From the Highlands" (Langey); 'cello solo, by Mr. Harold Talyor, "Hungarian Rhapsody" (Poppe); andante, "Fifth Symphony" (Tschaikovsky) by request; operatic, "Les Contes de Hoffman" (Offenbach); suite, "Ballet Egyptienne" (Luigini).

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DRAMALOGUE

"IN A GARDEN"
By Barry

ORPHANS' HOME ANNUAL MEETING

The fifty-seventh annual meeting of the subscribers to the B.C. Protestant Orphans' Home will be held on Tuesday, December 10, 1929, at 4.30 P.M., at the City Hall, Victoria, B.C., for the purpose of considering annual reports, the election of a board of management, and transacting any other business in the interest of the society. Managers' meeting will follow annual meeting.

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By Marie Belmont

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And one of the most charming ones seen is pictured here. Developed in black transparent velvet, it follows classic lines with its high waistline and princess silhouette. The long flaring skirt is achieved by a tucked treatment in V shape. Lace sleeves in the old puff fashion are an innovation and the neck is yoked with matching lace. Really, it's lovely!

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Women's Institute Work Shows Notable Progress

The announcement yesterday that Riverside Women's Institute in the Pouce Coupe district has applied for incorporation, calls attention to the phenomenal growth which has taken place in institute work throughout the province during the past year. The total number organized in British Columbia since the beginning of 1929 is fifteen. This brings the total number in the province up to 132.

With the conclusion of the last of the annual district institute conferences, Mrs. J. D. Gordon, Provincial President of Institutes, has released a statement concerning the activities of what are conceded to be a record year in the organization.

"Our total membership is about 4,160, showing an increase of more than 300 over last year," she notes.

Of special immediate interest is the organization of this Riverside Institute, making the second in the Peace River district and the total of six for Central British Columbia. West Saskatoon Women's Institute organized in October, was the first in the Peace River country, and flourishing institutes were already in existence at Fort Fraser, Prince George, Terrace and Fraser Lake.

INTERESTING ADDITION

Another interesting addition to the year's group is that at Lac La Hache, organized in October. This institute, situated south of Quesnel, at the 117-mile house, is the first to be established in the Cariboo.

Owing to the greatly increased number of institutes, the Hon. the Minister of Agriculture reduced the areas by dividing each of the former districts in two and designating these new districts. This reduction, however, is more than offset by the increase in the number of delegates, as by a very happy arrangement, the Provincial Board of Health put on a programme featuring health work, attendance being doubled by the fact that the Agricultural Department and the Board of Health each supplied transportation of one delegate. Obviously the Government's action has the warm endorsation of the institutes, as the following resolution adopted at the South Okanagan district conference at its meeting in November implies:

"Whereas, we feel that the influence and effectiveness of the Women's Institutes of this province is in a large degree due to the splendid self-government provided in the Agricultural Act, the supervision, guidance and financial assistance received from the Department of Agriculture.

"Be it therefore resolved that this conference go on record in expressing satisfaction and deep appreciation of this help; also for the co-operation received from other Government departments, more especially the Departments of Health and Education, and that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Premier, the Minister of Agriculture and Provincial Officer of Health."

GOVERNMENT INTEREST

Government interest in the Women's Institute movement has been further attested to during the year by the attendance of and addresses by Government representatives, including the Hon. J. Hinchliffe, Minister of Education; the Provincial Officer of Health, Dr. H. E. Young; the speaker, Hon. J. W. Jones; Dr. L. E. Borden, M.P.P., Capt. J. Fitzsimmons, M.P.P., Mr. L. F. Champion, of the B. C. Products Bureau, and others.

Among the other notable speakers at institute conferences were Dr. Thompson, of the National Bureau of Health; Dr. R. Chisholm, Miss Fawcett, Miss Kerr, Miss Green and Miss A. C. Franklin, of London, England, secretary of the society for the Overseas Settlement of British Women.

"The conferences," Mrs. Gordon states, "were without doubt the most successful and instructive ever held in the history of the institutes, and several important resolutions were passed." She particularly referred to a resolution passed at the recent Okanagan district conference asking for an extension of the Mothers' Pension Act so as to include fathers left with a family in the event of the death of the wife. This resolution, it was reported, is being considered by every institute in the province. On the Lower Mainland a resolution was passed asking for a demonstration in the Fraser Valley of the traveling library scheme contemplated by the Carnegie Corporation.

The nine districts in which conferences were held during the year were at Nelson and Nakusp in the Kootenay; Courtenay and Victoria on Vancouver Island; Terrace in Central British Columbia; Salmon Arm and Kelowna in the Okanagan; Mission and Chilliwack in the Lower Mainland. The first conference of the year was held at Terrace. Pouce Coupe, unfortunately, was unable to be represented.

PROGRESS REPORT

The Provincial Superintendent of Institutes, Mrs. V. S. Maclachlan, in her progress report for the period January 1 to November 15, just filed, shows that nearly every institute sent delegates to the district conferences above enumerated. Following instructions from the minister, she had visited the institutes at Valdez, Cortez and Whaletown, but being storm-bound at the last-named place for several days was unable to keep her engagements at Lazo, Denman and Hornby. The Comox district institute, disbanded in 1925, was reorganized. In June, en route for the biennial conference of the Federated Women's Institutes of Canada at Saskatoon, they visited the three institutes in the Bulkley Valley and organized a fourth at Fraser Lake. Returning from the conference via Cranbrook and Nelson she spoke at fourteen meetings in the Kootenay, and met representatives from nearly all the remaining institutes in that region. Since her tour three new institutes had been formed in the Kootenay.

In her report the superintendent noted that institute work directly inspired and assisted from her office during the year included children's garden contests, destruction of caterpillars contests, potato growing contests, pig and poultry clubs established, weed eradication contests, health exhibits, the reorganization of the Othoa Scott Endowment fund for crippled children; junior judging contests, and handicraft exhibits put on by the Institutes branch at the Victoria and Vancouver exhibitions.

Dance at Youbou

An enjoyable dance was held at Youbou Community Hall, Cowichan Lake, on November 30, in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Howard, who are leaving the district to reside near Duncan. During the evening Mr. W. De Bou, superintendent of the Industrial Sawmills, referred to the service Mr. Howard had rendered as pianist for the community, and presented him with a gold watch and chain, also presenting Mrs. Howard with a bouquet of chrysanthemums and fern. For the past two and a half years Mr. Howard has acted as secretary and chairman of the Youbou School Board.

Bays Will Hold New Year's Eve Party at Gorge

THE James Bay Athletic Association will hold a New Year's Eve party in its club quarters at the Gorge on Tuesday night, December 31, commencing at 9 o'clock. Reservations for the function may be made with Mr. T. D. Roberts, chairman of the dance committee, or Mr. Fouracre, the club secretary.

Wraps of Fur, Velvet and Lame

IT requires no skilled interpretor of fashions to inform us that this is a romantic period of dress. The short wrap for evening in contrast to trailing skirts is a vogue of this late Autumn that is one manifestation of the new era.

The three-quarter or short wrap with distinct sleeves and swathed hipline or wrapped closing, is one of the smartest complements to the flimy net gown, or the shimmering metallic of lovely shadowy coloring.

A wrap all in ermine is one destined for an impressive sartorial career, accenting as it does all of the beauty and richness of the skirt undulating below it to extreme lengths even to a train.

Exquisite when worn over a frock of black net is the short coat of black velvet which usually is generously furred for contrast as in the cape model, centre, where a lavish border of white fox edges the elbow-length cape.

Sheer metals are so gorgeous in themselves that they have become an inspiration for gowns and wraps many times forming a rather magnificent ensemble. Green and gold lame thus fashion both frock and coat in the model at the right, the coat finished on all edges with a banding of soft fox.

TRIPLE WEDDING AND HONEYMOON

Three Sisters Are Married Together and Will Occupy Adjoining Apartments

ROCHESTER, N.Y., Dec. 7.—What was to have been a double wedding at the last minute became a triple ceremony, at midnight, when three sisters decided they couldn't stand separation after living together in a cozy apartment here for several years.

The brides, before their marriage last night, were the Misses Gladys, Mildred and Barbara Hance, daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Alexander Hance, of Gouverneur, N.Y. Their husbands are Russell Fanara, William Lawson and William Leiston, respectively. It had been previously agreed that Mildred and Barbara were to be married. Gladys, however, preferred to wait until Spring.

But after the guests had assembled for the double ceremony the sisters decided they couldn't be separated. Gladys' fiance fortunately was among those present, and it took but little urging to induce the couple to make it "three and out." So the preached waited while a licence clerk was routed out of bed. The three couples will occupy adjoining apartments here upon their return from a triple honeymoon in the Adirondacks.

TICKETS SELLING FAST FOR DANCE AT YACHT CLUB

Arrangements for the dance to be held at the Royal Victoria Yacht Club on New Year's Eve are progressing apace and a large proportion of the available tickets has already been sold. It is anticipated that the supply of tickets will run out some time before the date of the dance and the special committee, which has been formed by club members to look after the arrangements, has stressed the necessity for making early reservations.

The success of the dance seems already to be an accomplished fact, partly by reason of the demand for tickets and partly because of the elaborate arrangements which are being made to insure that the revival of this popular event will be an outstanding feature of the festive season in Victoria. A five-piece orchestra will supply the music.

CANADIAN AUTHORS

The Victoria and Islands Branch Canadian Authors' Association will hold the December meeting on Monday, December 16, instead of on the usual second Thursday of the month. Through the courtesy of Mrs. J. O. Cameron the meeting will be held at her home, "Roseboro," 1085 Moss Street, when Mr. J. Murray Gibbon, chief of the publicity department of the C.P.R. and founder of the Canadian Authors' Association and its first president, will be the guest of honor. Major L. Bullock-Webster will give an address on the recent convention of the League of Western Writers, which he attended in San Francisco recently, and there will be a musical programme. Members are asked to note the change in the date of the meeting.

Whittie was having his dining-room and his bathroom repapered. The men arrived to do the work just as he was leaving for the office.

"Make a good job of it," said Whittie.

When he returned home that evening he found that the work had been done very well indeed. But the men had made just one small mistake.

They had put the dining-room paper in the bathroom, while the dining-room was tastefully adorned in a design of green tiling and purple waterlilies.

"What are you going to do about it?" demanded Whittie, after he had said a few other things.

"I dunno, sir," replied the workman, scratching his head. "I'd willingly move the bath for yer, but that's a plumber's job."

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House That Jack Built To Be Opened Monday For Sale of Novelties

On the corner of Government and Belleville Streets a charming store of novel pattern will be opened on Monday. Miss B. Stovel, the proprietress, has decided upon the quaint name of "The House That Jack Built" as eminently fitting the class of stock that will be carried. Every sort of novelty will be displayed, both for the present Christmas trade and also as souvenirs for tourists. Imported woolens, Victoria-made pottery, and an exclusive line of handbags are but a tithe of the large assortment. A special feature will be free information given to tourists.

During his recent visit to Argentina, Respighi conducted his "La Compana Sommersa" and gave several concerts of chamber music at Colon. He has promised the Wagnerian Association of Buenos Aires that he will write an opera to be produced in the concert hall which was recently opened there.

ELKS DANCE SET FOR DECEMBER 20

Members of Victoria Lodge, No. 2, B.P.O.E., To Hold Christmas Cheer Fete in Shrine Temple

The Victoria Elks' Christmas Cheer dance will be held in the auditorium of the new Shrine Temple, View Street, on Friday night, December 20. A five-piece orchestra will furnish the music for dancing, which will be indulged in from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m.

The committee, which is completing arrangements for the function, is composed of Messrs: Reginald Lott (chairman), Edgar Jones, R. W. Watson, Robert Malcolm, Robert Burns, Richard Metters, Joseph Levy, Douglas Gregson and Bert Best.

Colwood Personals

Mrs. J. Paton, Mr. R. Paton and Miss Ina Paton, of Graveibourg, Sask., have taken Mr. McIlwaine's cottage at Ocean Beach for the Winter months.

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Between Twelve and One

By VERNON LODER

CHAPTER I

The early holiday rush at the London terminus had subsided. The heavy freights of men, women, children, trunks, golf clubs and fishing rods, spades and buckets, had been cleared from the platform. The midday lull was over the place. There was a short spell of drowsy listlessness under the glaring glass roofs of the station, and heated porters mopped their streaming foreheads and counted up their spoils.

At one main platform stood the long southern express. The platform showed the sole sign of real life in all the vast terminus. The men on the engine were oiling up and making their last inspections. About fifty people had already settled themselves in the compartments, while a decorous stream of fresh passengers began to flow down the platform. But there was no real rush.

Those whose holidays were short (and must therefore be enjoyed to the greatest degree) had gone by the earlier trains. The dignified afternoon express was patronized by a better, or, it may be, wealthier, class of traveler.

Midway in the long train, two first-class smoking compartments bore labels indicating that they were reserved for "Mr. Cupolis' party." They were empty at the moment, but the guard kept a very attentive eye on them. From his experience of those who went down from time to time to stay at the financier's house at Tendon Mocket, he anticipated a profit on his courtesy. Cupolis, as the guard had more than once remarked to his wife, "did everything in grand style," and those who visit plutocrats cannot afford to appear ungenerous.

There were several false alarms for the guard that day. Hasty individuals, disregarding the warning labels, climbed into one or other of the reserved compartments. They backed out again when he discovered that they were not the privileged guests for Tendon Oaks, Mr. Cupolis' Wiltshire home.

There were still ten minutes before the train was due to start when a stout, red-faced man, with a clipped, white moustache, stopped to look at the label on the first compartment, then climbed in. The guard went over and spoke to him.

"Mr. Cupolis' party, sir? Very good, sir. You run right through to Tendon Mocket, sir.—Thank you, sir. It is very hot for the time of year.—Perhaps you would like the carriage window down a little?"

He was pocketing a shilling, when three more passengers turned up together; a pretty girl of about twenty-three, tall, slender, faintly smiling; a tall man with a pale face, very dark hair, and a look of boredom; and an athletic young man, with blue eyes, fair hair, and a general appearance of finding life a very agreeable thing.

Though these three approached together to the compartment, they were actually unacquainted, and looked at each other, and at the first passenger, who was already seated, with an air of somewhat dubious expectancy. The guard included them all in his beaming smile, settled them comfortably, collected more shillings, and was about to turn away, when the fifth passenger arrived and entered the first compartment.

The guard did not like him. He was a small, hard-bitten man with a bitter mouth, a snub nose, and frosty grey eyes. He accepted the guard's attentions, listened without interest to his comments on the weather, and did not present him with any coin whatsoever.

The passenger who had first entered was a retired soldier, Brown by name; the pretty girl was a Miss Mary Glenne; while the tall man was called Colper, was heir to Sir Hope Colper, and never forgot the fact. The young man who appeared to find life agreeable was called Clive Merton, and devoted to yachting. The fifth passenger was Lord Cramish. Colper, giving him a slightly disdainful look, decided he was a bit of a bounder. Tuft-hunters do make these mistakes sometimes.

The guard, recovering slowly from the shock of giving atttentions to Lord Cramish and getting nothing in return, closed the door of that compartment and turned to await the arrival of the other privileged passengers. These four turned up together when only five minutes remained before the train was due to start.

The guard ushered them hopefully into the second compartment, again patronized the weather, collected the last of his spoils, and went away to his other duties.

The latest comers settled themselves in their corners and began to study each other more or less politely. The oldest of the four was Professor Logard, a well-dressed man of seventy, with very white hair and the rather absent expression which so often marks out those who have devoted themselves to study rather than mankind. Smith, the man opposite to him, had a horse's face, a grim chin, a loose mouth; looked like a racing man, but was actually a gentleman farmer. The third man was a neutral individual, grizzled, wrinkled rather and carrying folded in his hand a copy of The Financial Times. His name was Andrews, and he was a retired solicitor. The last man was called Corbett, a big fellow, with a dour face, eyes that looked capable of temper, and a tight-lipped mouth. He was a racing man, and had been a famous amateur boxer.

It was some little time before the passengers in the second compartment thawed, and it was Andrews, the solicitor, who opened the conversation.

"The Financial Times," he said, tentatively looking at the others, and exhibiting the newspaper in his hand, "is—er—not the kind of paper to publish mere rumors. I presume you are all, like myself, interested in Mr. Cupolis' companies, so you will understand what a nasty jar I got this morning when someone sent me a copy of The Money-Maker's Journal."

Professor Logard came out of a reverie and puckered his brow. "Are we to infer, sir, that it contained some disturbing reference to the process in which we are all scientifically or financially interested?"

The big man also stared at Andrews. "The devil it did!" he ejaculated, his mouth tightening.

Andrews nodded. "I am afraid so. Of course it may be merely a rumor. I hope it is. But lately I have begun to think that Cupolis ought to give us more information than he does."

Smith looked anxious, but remained silent. Professor Logard, who had put all his savings in the companies, and was getting old, shivered a little.

"May we hear the exact terms of this reference?" he asked.

Andrews looked at him. "Roughly, it is hinted that a great deal of money has been expended, while none has yet been earned. It asks who is Cupolis and where did he come from. The paper goes on to suggest that a committee of inquiry ought to be formed to go into the affairs of the promoter."

Logard shivered again. Smith grew very red in the face and looked fierce. Corbett banged down his huge fist on his knee and made no uncertain sound.

"If the blighter's done me, I'll make a damn mess of him!" he roared.

Logard put up a timid but protesting hand. "I think there is nothing to be gained by violent speaking, or, if I may say so, by unprofitable speculations—"?

"If it is an unprofitable speculation, I'll have a go at the fellow myself, hanged if I won't!" cried Smith. "I've got seven thou. in the show."

Corbett grew purple with rage. "It mayn't be true, of course. But I think myself that Cupolis has been cutting it too fat lately. They may be right. Who is he? What is he?"

"I don't know," said Smith.

"Isn't he a Greek?" asked Andrews.

"Timeo Danaos et dona ferentes," murmured the poor professor. "I wish I knew."

"You speak Greek, sir?" asked Smith.

Logard shrugged. "I have some small acquaintance with ancient Greek," he replied, "but what I quoted just now is a Latin phrase meaning 'I fear the Greeks bearing gifts.'"

"It'll be Greek meeting Greek if he tries it on with me!" growled Corbett.

While the four men discussed Cupolis and his affairs, the five passengers in the other compartment were also talking over that rather intriguing subject.

The talk had begun when Clive Merton asked Glenne if she objected to his cigarette. She did not, and the fighting up of three other cigarettes, metaphorically, broke the ice, Major Brown turning to her to ask if this was her first visit to Tendon Oaks.

"I confess that it is my own first visit," he added, pulling at his white moustache.

"And mine too," she replied, showing pretty teeth in a smile. "I wonder is it far from the station to the house?"

"I took the trouble of looking it up," said Colper. "It's right in the heart of the country."

Lord Cramish looked at them rather ferociously. "If you people had taken the trouble to look at the card Cupolis put in with the invitations, you would have seen that the house is fifteen miles from the station and cars will meet us."

Colper, who loved any title, however acquired, but was still under the impression that the "little bounder" was utterly negligible, shrugged insolently. But Cramish, who did not seem at all put out by the lack of response to his remark, spoke again.

"This is all very nice, you know. Reserved carriages in the train and cars to meet guests are good things in their way. But they've got to be paid for. Who's paying for them?"

"Seems fairly obvious," said Brown, staring at him. "I don't suppose Cupolis gets 'em free."

Colper smiled faintly. The girl bit her lip. Cramish glared at the speaker.

"A great many things may seem obvious to you, sir, if you insist on taking superficial views. What I want to know is, who is to pay all this ultimately?"

"Do you suppose that Cupolis will present us with accounts on our arrival?" Colper asked with a faint tinge of scorn in his voice.

Olive Merton and the girl exchanged amused glances. It seemed to them that hostilities were beginning too early among the members of the house party.

Cramish snorted. "No, sir, I do not suggest it. I am beginning to fear that we do not see enough of Mr. Cupolis' accounts. I should like to see details and a proper balance sheet and the certificates of some auditors we could rely on. I admit that, with a new and secret process, a certain amount of information must be withheld, even from the shareholders, for fear of a leakage, but Cupolis is overdoing it."

Mary Glenne started and studied the speaker's face with interest not unmixed with anxiety. Brown laughed.

"I hope you are prepared to tell him so?"

"I am prepared to tell him so!" snapped the other. "That is my intention. I do not know if you are all shareholders in his companies, but I am, and I shall insist on getting some details about them which have not yet been vouchsafed to us."

"I am a shareholder—at least my father is," said the girl. "He did not suspect that there was anything wrong. He understood that the whole thing would be put before the shareholders when everything was settled."

"That is what I thought," said Brown.

"I am a shareholder, too," remarked Merton.

Colper raised supercilious eyebrows. "I have taken a flyer myself, but I am not a stockbroker or a man of business."

"Nor am I, sir!" said Cramish viciously, "but I am not a fool, and I do not care for fools!"

In a frenzy of resentment he took a card from his case and flipped it on to Colper's knee. While Colper was looking at it through his eyeglass, Merton asked a question.

"I'm afraid I have little experience in matters of this kind, sir," he said, "but the sum I have invested is a large one, and I cannot afford to lose it. I hope you are merely being cautious when you suggest that the companies are shaky?"

"I do not see why we should suspect at all," said Brown, before Cramish could reply. "Most of us invested our money, I suspect, not because Cupolis asked us, but because, behind the scheme, there is this Professor Demetrius. Even the papers that always try to knock Cupolis' companies admit that Demetrius is a scientist with a European reputation. No one can expect him to give away his formulae, or whatever they are called, with so many sharks about to pick his brains. When they first talked of the process of getting nitrates from the air, you know people thought it was stark lunacy."

"My father said something like that," agreed Mary Glenne.

Cramish nodded. "Well, as I said just now, I am not a business man. I would not have put a penny in the companies if Demetrius had not decided that his process was scientifically perfect. I do not even suggest that there may not be chemicals to be got from the air any more than I doubt that the fixation of nitrogen is a fact and a source of commercial profit. With Demetrius' name behind it, no one can call us fools for investing. But we shall be more than that if we allow Cupolis to fritter away our money in extravagance before the factory is even finished or a penny made."

"The factory isn't half built yet," said Merton.

Cramish nodded. "No. If Cupolis were known to us as a man with a private fortune, his house in Wiltshire, his villa on the Riviera, and the house in town would be natural enough. Then we should not object to his spending money like water. We would know it was his own. Lately, however, I have been making inquiries, and no one can prove that he has resources, apart from moneys invested by us and others. We're all asses at times, or men like Whitaker Wright and others wouldn't have dressed down a lot of fellows who were looked on as keen, long-headed men."

The others looked their dismay. Brown nodded. "You may be right. The stupid and simple confidence trick has taken in men who thought themselves foolproof. And Cupolis has a way with him. I thought him a charming fellow."

Cramish looked grim. "Quite so. He has dined and wined most of us already. He has the gift of tongues in more senses than one."

"I thought him fascinating," said Colper, who had now decided that his fellow passenger might be recognized.

Many Glenne's face had fallen. Her father, a chronic invalid, had invested twenty thousand pounds in the companies, and it was almost with horror that she learned that Cramish was suspicious.

"Can it be true?" she cried in distress. "I thought they were to pay 50 per cent."

Merton tried to reassure her. "Well, boiled down to bare bones, we have nothing but speculation yet. Lord Cramish is going to ask Cupolis about it, and I think Cupolis expected some questions at this stage. Would he ask us down to see him if he was anxious to evade them?"

Cramish agreed. "I admit that point, and, as I shall press him for some details this evening, and communicate his answer to you all, perhaps it is better to let it go at that for the present. I did not mean to alarm you unnecessarily."

The other guests in that compartment breathed sighs of relief. The anxious talk subsided. Perhaps they had exaggerated the suspicions born in them of Cramish's first remarks. After all, there was Professor Demetrius . . . .

The day grew more sultry. Heavy dun clouds shot with coppery tinges piled up in the west. On one horizon massed, white cumulus clouds shone like snow. There was no breath of air; even the country through which they rushed had a jaded listless look. A storm was imminent.

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By G. C. MURRAY

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News of the tragedy, flashed to Nova Scotia, was received by relatives who had mourned him as dead for nearly ten years.

About ten years ago the fire victim's mother, then residing in Boston, received word that her son James had died in a Western Canada hospital following an operation. The mother at once notified Mrs. James Irwin and her daughters, Mrs. S. A. Custance and Mrs. H. T. Irwin, that the husband and father had passed away.

Two months ago the daughter, living in Truro, learned of a man answering the description of their father living in a lonely cabin in the Jackass Canyon, near Cochrane, Alberta. They wrote to this man and a few days ago received a letter that was dated November 8, 1929, telling them that their father was alive and carrying on a homestead ranch in the West, which he had taken up fifteen years before.

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By J. R. Striebel

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The heavy gunmetal lends itself to various beautiful designs. A literary friend would appreciate the usefulness of these Book Ends, and artistic folk will admire their beauty. Prices, per pair ..... **$5.75, $7.95** and **$8.50**

—Third Floor, HBC

Gift Suggestions in Dainty Lingerie

At 79¢ and 89¢
Tailored Opera-Top Vests, in white, black and pastel shades. Sizes for women and large women.

At $1.00
Women's Heavy Quality Rayon Silk Bobettes and Bloomers, finished with large double gusset; also Harvey's Heavy Quality Tailored Opera-Top Vests, with hemstitched straps. In white, black and pastel shades.

At $1.25
Harvey's Fine Quality Rayon Silk Bloomers and Bobettes; also Tailored and Motif-Trimmed Rayon Silk Vests in pastel shades.

At $1.50
Watson's Superfine Rayon Gift Vests, with lace motif or lace medallions. In peach, Nile, pink, sunni, orchid and white. Sizes 36 to 44.
Also Harvey's Discrella Silk Gift Bloomers, Bobettes and Panties in dainty pastel shades. All these numbers are shown in the new Discrella Delustred Silk.
Also Harvey's Discrella Silk Gift Vests in modernistic patterns or openwork motifs.

At $1.95
Wood's and Harvey's Heaviest Quality Discrella and Delusco Silk Bloomers.
Watson's Superfine Rayon Gift Bloomers, trimmed with dainty insets of lace and silk medallions. Colors to match vests.
Lavender Line New Dance Knickers in pastel shades are big favorites with the younger set, who like their snug-fitting knee.

—Second Floor, HBC

Gift Suggestions From the Corset Department

Rayon Brassieres at $1.00
These are daintily trimmed with lace and contrasting shades.

Lace Brassieres at $1.25
Made of fine laces and with ribbon shoulder straps.

Crepe de Chine Brassieres at $1.50
Daintily combined crepe de Chine and lace.

Garter Belts and Brassieres at $1.75 Each
Shown in pretty floral patterns and delicate shades.

—Second Floor, HBC

Gift Gloves

Sure to Please

French Imported Kid Gloves
Made from specially selected skins, these fine fitting Gloves are particularly smart and practical for Christmas gifts. In shades of beaver, brown, grey and mastic; also black and white. All sizes 5½ to 8. Price, per pair **$2.50**

The Boulton Cape Skin Glove
Up-to-the-minute in style and a gift worth while. They fit and wear to perfection. Shown in two popular styles, one a smart pull-on with hand-sewn seams, and the other a gauntlet glove with elastic at the wrist and pique sewn seams. All wanted sizes. Shown in grey and nude shades. Price, per pair **$3.75**

—Main Floor, HBC

Dainty Boudoir Lamps

Lovely little Hand-Painted Boudoir Lamps in various colors. These are already wired except for the end plug. Regular $1.00 value for, each

69c

—Art Needlework Dept., Second Floor, HBC

Dainty Gift Novelties

From Our Notion Section

Garter and Pincushion Sets
in assorted colors. In gift boxes. Per set **$1.25**

Handkerchief and Shoe Tree Sets
Colored Enamel Shoe Trees with dainty crepe de Chine Handkerchief. Complete in gift box. Per set **$1.00**

Sachet and Handkerchief Sets
Daintily-Designed Silk Hankie, with sachet in matching colors. Per set ..... **75¢**

Shoe Tree Sets
—enamelled in various attractive colors and put up in a gift box. Per pair ..... **75¢**

Hair Bow and Handkerchief Sets
in assorted colors. Neatly boxed. Per set ..... **75¢**

Lined Sewing Boxes
—containing scissors, needles and thimble. The boxes are in novel shapes and colors. Price **$1.50**

Flapper Dolls
from France. Quaint and attractive! A wide selection. Priced from **$1.50** to **$3.50**

Novelty Hat Stands
—some with novel heads and others with feather duster. These are colorful and artistic new Hat Stands. Prices, **95¢** to **$2.95**

Needle Cases
—containing the best quality British-made needles in colored cases. These make attractive and practical gifts. Prices, **25¢, 50¢, 75¢, $1.00**, up to **$2.50**

"Ladies' Companion" Fitted Gift Boxes
—containing scissors, thimble, needles and assorted mending silks. Price **$1.00**

Handy Hairpin Cabinets
Cretonne-covered, in assorted colors, and containing hairpins, bobby pins and safety pins. Fitted with two drawers. Price **$1.00**

Children's Sewing Boxes
in assorted colors, and containing scissors, cotton, thimble, tape and crochet hook, **$1.25**

Fancy Rubber Aprons
Popular for gifts and put up in seasonable holly boxes. Household and tea apron styles, with pretty trimmings in contrasting colors.
Tea Aprons, each ..... **59¢**
Household Aprons, each, **98¢**

—Main Floor, HBC

Christmas Gifts in the Optical Department

Reading Glasses ..... **75¢** to **$4.00**
Lorgnettes, **$4.50** to **$12.50**
Lorgnette Chains **$4.50**
Pocket Microscopes **$1.25**
Pocket Telescopes **$1.00**
Pedometers **$5.50**
Barometers **$3.50**

—Mezzanine Floor, HBC

New Drapery Silks

in striped and shot silk effects with figure design. Suitable for drapes, curtains and cushions. Width, 50 inches. Price, per yard **$2.25**

—Third Floor, HBC

GIFT SUGGESTIONS FOR EVERYONE!

In Our Christmas Gift Bazaar

Don't forget that all this week and right up to Christmas our Gift Bazaar is open on the Second Floor, where you can spend many a happy hour in selecting dainty presents for your family and friends. A short list appended will give you an idea of a very few of the items represented.

For Men
Boxed Hosiery
Garter and Arm Band Sets
Neckwear
Spun Silk Scarves
Linen Handkerchiefs
Torches
Ash Trays
Cigarettes in Gift Boxes
Cigarette Cases
Brilliantine
Razor Sets
Bridge Score Pads
Wool Gloves

For Women
Stationery
Handbags
Sewing Novelties
Chanel Jewelry
Boxed Hosiery
Chinaware
Handkerchiefs
Perfumes
Toilet Articles
Cushion Tops
Ribbon Novelties
Rubber Aprons
Rope Beads

For Children
Toys
Games
Pencil Sets
Handkerchiefs
Gloves
Socks
Blocks
Shoes
Jackets
Annuals
Books
Handbags
Stationery

Three Prices Only, 50c 75c and 1.00

—Second Floor, HBC

95c Day in Toytown Monday

Of course we have hundreds and hundreds of toys under this price—and over—but for Monday we are offering a special selection at 95c in the belief that it will help busy shoppers to decide easily and quickly what to buy in this section. Many of the articles mentioned are marked down from a higher price.

Dressed Dolls with china head, bobbed hair and sleeping eyes. Each ..... **95¢**
Cuddly Animal Toys ..... **95¢**
Large Teddy Bears ..... **95¢**
China Tea Sets ..... **95¢**
Wall Blackboards ..... **95¢**
Aluminum Tea Sets ..... **95¢**
Sandy Andy ..... **95¢**
Gramophones ..... **95¢**
Taxicabs ..... **95¢**
Steam Hammers ..... **95¢**
Jig Saw Puzzles ..... **95¢**
Cooking Sets ..... **95¢**
Plasticine Sets ..... **95¢**
12-Game Combination Boards at ..... **95¢**
Bridge Keno, a thrilling new game ..... **95¢**
Jack o'Lantern Paint Boxes at ..... **95¢**
Tinker Toy Building Sets, **95¢**
Blackboard Stencil Art Sets at ..... **95¢**
Stencil Art Sets ..... **95¢**
Bing Airplane Sets ..... **95¢**
Children's Sewing and Embroidery Sets ..... **95¢**
Fancy Skittles ..... **95¢**
Lay-the-Table Sets ..... **95¢**
Cowboy and Indian Sets, **95¢**
Large Rubber Balls ..... **95¢**
Wheelbarrows ..... **95¢**
Sonny Wagons with rubber tires ..... **95¢**
Magic Lanterns ..... **95¢**
Steam Engines ..... **95¢**
Trains and Tracks ..... **95¢**
Airplanes that really fly, **95¢**
Hobby-Horse with Cart, **95¢**

—Lower Main Floor, HBC
Next to Groceteria

For Monday Shoppers Only

500 Women's Rayon Silk Gift Bloomers at 1.00

Hundreds of these fine quality De Luxe Rayon Silk Bloomers have only recently sold at $1.50 a pair, and we consider ourselves very fortunate in securing this special purchase just at the time of year when so many of these silky garments are in demand. Knit from the finest quality rayon yarns available and having that soft lustrous feeling only connected in most people's minds with the highest-priced bloomers. Colors are peach, apricot, rose, Nile, sunni, orchid and red; available also in white and black. Sizes for women and large women. Monday Special, per pair **$1.00**

—Second Floor, HBC

Give Him Sensible and Satisfying Gifts

Very likely he has been so busy planning and procuring the family presents that he has had very little time to shop for himself lately. He will appreciate your thoughtfulness in buying him useful, comfortable and smart garments. We can assure you that the styles are up-to-date and correct.

Men's Sweater Coats
The famous 202 Coat made by Aberly. Heavy weight elastic weave all-wool, in good lovat and marl shades. All sizes 36 to 44. Price **$6.50**

Smart Gift Neckwear
New stripe and floral designs in all shades. Real silk Neckwear that is very smart. All in gift boxes. Price **$1.50**

Boxed Underwear—Pleasing and Practical
Watson's Superfine Rayon Combinations, in white, peach or sky. Sleeveless and knee-length style, in "Superknit," the finest rayon made. All sizes. Price, per box of two suits **$5.00**

Smart Rayon Shirts
A perfectly tailored, smart and well-fitting Shirt. Good quality rayon, in choice of peach, blue, white and green pastel shades, with jacquard self design. All sizes 14 to 17.
Price, collar attached **$2.75**
With two separate collars. Price **$3.00**

—Main Floor, HBC

Men's Gifts in the Drug Section

Military Hair Brushes, natural ebony, per pair **$4.50**
Williams', Colgate's and Mennen's Gift Shaving Sets, in Christmas boxes, at **$1.25**
Gillette Razors, gold-plated tuckaway model **$5.00**
Badger Hair Shaving Brushes, English made ..... **$1.95** to **$6.50**
Yardley's Gift Set, containing shaving bowl, lotion and talc, at **$2.50**
Yardley's Shaving Bowl at **$1.00**

—Main Floor, HBC

Fancy Candy Novelties

Pascall's New Fruit and Candy Store, containing imitation candy fruit and vegetables, scales, table, chairs and step-ladder, also small bottles containing sweets. Each, **$2.50**
Pascall's Fruit Store, containing imitation candy fruit, with scales and scoops. Each, **50¢** and **$1.25**
Chocolate Handbag, with handkerchief. Each **$1.00**
Parrot China Powder Bowl, containing English Assorted Toffee. Each **$1.25**
China Teapot, containing chocolates. Each ..... **75¢**
Metal Bedsteads, containing small dolls and chocolates. Each ..... **25¢** and **40¢**
See-Saw Novelty, containing Celluloid Dolls and Chocolate Ball. Each ..... **50¢** and **75¢**

—Main Floor, HBC

Gifts That Boys Will Wear With Pride

Smart Fancy Pull-Overs
Fancy designs in grey, blue and fawn, in All-Wool V-Neck Pull-Overs. While the smartness and "pep" of these Sweaters will appeal to the boys, mothers will be glad to know that they are nice and warm. All sizes for boys. Price, each ..... **$1.95** to **$3.75**

Boys' Bow and Kerchief Sets
Novelty designs in printed foulard in all shades. Smart shape bow, with an elastic band. A set the boys will like. Price ..... **49¢**

—Main Floor, HBC

Mellow Tones

And Graceful Forms With Floor Lamps and Shades

Metal Floor Lamps
—finished in brass, with cast base and double chain pull sockets. Price, each **$3.95**

Aluminum Floor Lamps
—with cast metal fittings. Best quality wiring and plugs. Price, each **$5.75**

Our Own Special Floor Lamps
—in bronze finish. Finely made and of splendid design, with extra long wire. Price **$7.75**

Walnut Floor Lamps
—with metal trimmed base and top. Finest quality electric fittings. Price **$6.75**

Special Silk Shades
in a variety of pleasing colors, with deep bead fringes. Price, each **$15.75**

—Fourth Floor, HBC

A Bissell's Carpet Sweeper

This Sweeper is very useful. It is most efficient in its work, and so light and handy to use. Bring it out to tidy up the floor on Christmas Day and see how it will be appreciated. Prices ..... **$4.75, $6.50, $7.25** and **$7.50**

—Third Floor, HBC

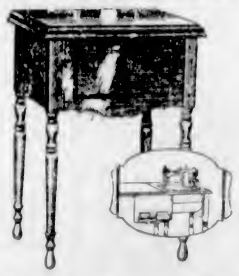
English Mohair Rugs

These hard-wearing Rugs are shown in plain colors, with curled centre. In black, gold, green, blue, red and mauve.
Size 24 x 48 in. Price **$5.50**
Size 30 x 64 in. Price **$9.75**
Size 36 x 72 in. Price **$12.75**

Mats to Match
Also in Mats at ..... **$1.85** and **$2.50**

—Third Floor, HBC

An Ideal Gift for Christmas



This Electric Sewing Machine

Regular $115.00.
Special at **79.00**

We know that any woman would appreciate a modern electric furniture model Sewing Machine. A useful gift and one that is guaranteed for many years of service.
TERMS—This machine delivered for a small cash payment. Balance easy.

—Third Floor, HBC

HBC GROCETERIA CARRY AND SAVE

Monday's Specials

Fels-Naptha Soap, 10-bar carton for **67c**
Royal Household Flour, 7-lb. cotton sack for **37c**
Robin Hood Oats, large package with fancy tumbler **35c**
Heinz Spaghetti, 2 tins for **19c**
Jif Soap Flakes, 2 large packets **31c**
Libby's Pork and Beans, 2's, per tin **10c**
Velveeta Cheese, ½-lb. carton for **19c**
Holsum Strawberry Jam, 200 only 2-lb. jars, each **30c**
Our Own Groceteria Tea, India and Ceylon Blend, lb. **49c**
Australian Sultanas, per lb. **12c**
Recleaned Currants, per lb. **12c**
New Shelled Walnuts, quarters, per lb. **35c**
Pure Extracts, Lemon, Vanilla, bottle **19c**
Bullen's Christmas Puddings, 1's, per bowl **55c**

—Lower Main Floor, HBC

Varied Activities of Women

Society Notes From Vancouver

VANCOUVER, Dec. 7.—The marriage today of Miss Margaret King to Mr. Richard Shaw was a brilliant event, and attended by many of the younger society people of this city. Miss King had been feted at numerous social events prior to her wedding, among them being a tea handerchief shower by Mrs. George Seymour and Mrs. Archie Seymour at the home of the former. Mrs. W. W. Boultbee and Mrs. F. E. King presided at the urns, while serving were Miss Barbara Rankin, Miss Pauline Lauchland and Miss Kathrine Ireland.

Another hostess for Miss King was Miss Frances Leigh, whose bridge afternoon was given on Monday. Mrs. Roderick Peck entertained at dinner on Wednesday for the bride-elect, while a luncheon was given by Mrs. William Hatfield, Mrs. Burpee Hume and Miss Bertha Mair at the Royal Canadian Yacht Club on Wednesday. A theatre party, followed by supper, was arranged for Miss King and Mr. Shaw by Miss Margaret Witcomb and Miss Ursula Maikin. Also feting the bride-elect was the luncheon arranged by Mrs. George D. Ireland on Tuesday at her home, when bronze chrysanthemums and harmonizing tapers were used for decoration.

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Tea Hostess

A special event of Friday was the tea given by Miss Betty Boultbee at her home on Connaught Drive. Yellow chrysanthemums centred the table, which was lighted with yellow tapers in silver candelabra. Presiding at the urns were Mrs. William Hatfield, Mrs. Jack Crane, Mrs. Walter Owen and Mrs. Bruce Robertson. Serving the guests were Miss Kathleen Ireland, Miss Barbara Rankin, Miss Pauline Lauchland, Miss Dalton Marpole, Miss Frances and Miss Gertrude Griffin, Miss Marion Robertson, Miss Margaret Witcomb and Miss Kitty Tiffin.

SORE THROAT
CHEST COLDS
Gargle With
NERVILINE

WHAT COULD BE NICER FOR COOL MORNINGS?

Brookfield Sausage

Pure Pork and Special Seasoning

Reserve a Pound at Your Dealer's

Swift Canadian Co., Ltd.
CANADA

Shirring Details Dresses

SHIRRED crepes, shirred nets and shirred chiffons stand out in striking relief against the background of other dress fashions. One may have a frock conservatively detailed thus as at the waist and hips, or go to such extremes as to be incased in rows of shirring from neck to hem.

Certainly shirring moulds as nothing else, yet is a graceful way of achieving and restraining fullness. And beginning with the afternoon mode this dressmaking device extends into formal costumes.

A little bit of shirring artfully applied distinguishes the Canton crepe dresses at the left and the right, the former having only a slightly dipping hemline and the latter going to extremes, approaching the more formal aspect. A line of lace outlines the neck of model at the right. Both frocks are in the current Autumnal shades, such as brown, red, English green, dahlia and, of course, black.

Some of the more exclusive and therefore expensive models in the shops are of chiffon, as Lanvin's, shirred from waistline to well below the hips, with a cape collar likewise shirred to a point below the shoulders.

Just a bit of shirring is used on the centre dress of black dotted net, which detail dates it as a very new design. This shirred effect is at the V neckline to soften the bodice front. The net is posed over a slip of self color and is trimmed with a bow at the shoulder and a sash at the waist, both of crepe de Chine.

Holds Reception

Mrs. Edward Douglas was hostess at a large reception on Friday afternoon, when she received at her home on Angus Drive. The tea table was presided over by Mrs. Robert Kelly, Mrs. B. D. Gillies, Mrs. A. O. Bahr, Mrs. D. M. Stewart, Mrs. J. S. Henderson and Mrs. W. R. W. McIntosh. Serving the guests were Mrs. Charles Foster Campbell, Mrs. James Macdonald, Miss Florence Livingston, Miss Doreen Bahr and Miss Margaret Smith.

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Returns Home

Miss Betty Ward has returned to her home at Douglas Lake after spending a few days in the city, the guest of Mrs. A. T. MacLean.

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Bridge Luncheon

Mrs. Ronald Maitland was hostess on Friday at a bridge luncheon at the Royal Vancouver Yacht Club in honor of her sister, Mrs. S. C. Young, of Fort William, Ont., who will be her guest until after Christmas.

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Farewell Party

In compliment to Miss Katherine Harrison, who will leave shortly for a trip around the world, Miss Marjorie Sulley entertained at dinner and bridge on Monday evening. Covers were laid for Mrs. William Sulley, Miss Beatrice Merritt, Miss Elizabeth Silbernagel, Mr. Tony Power, Mr. J. Remson, Mr. Stanley Kapell, Mr. Dick Leckie and Mr. Kenneth Sulley. A bridge luncheon was given on Tuesday in honor of Miss Harrison, when Miss Margaret Gillies was hostess.

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Club Entertains

In compliment to Sir John and Lady Martin Harvey, the Women's Canadian Club entertained at luncheon on Tuesday, when Miss Margaret S. Ross, president, occupied the chair.

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Informal Tea

Mrs. Marjorie Richardson entertained informally at the tea hour for a number of friends.

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For Miss Harrison

Mr. Fred Evans entertained on Wednesday evening at dinner in honor of Miss Katherine Harrison, at his home on South Granville.

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Afternoon Reception

Among the charming affairs of the earlier part of the week was the reception given by Mrs. Charles D. Macaulay in Hotel Georgia. The tea table, which was decorated with pink chrysanthemums and tapers in silver candelabra, was presided over by Mrs. George Black, of the Yukon, Mrs. J. B. Pattullo, Mrs. Harry Wallbridge and Mrs. Henry Macaulay. The hostesses were assisted in receiving by Mrs. Robert Perry Davy, while Mrs. M. J. Gillespie and Mrs. Charles McLeon, Jr., cut the ices, assisted by Mrs. George F. Ellis, Mrs. Maxwell Harp, Miss Miller, Miss Alfreda Thompson and Misses Macaulay.

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Return Home

Mrs. A. D. McRae and Mrs. R. P. Barker have returned to the city after a visit to the East.

MEN The Finest Possible CHRISTMAS PRESENT

you can give your wife, mother, sister, fiancee or lady friend is a Gift Certificate on Herman's

Come to our store. Open a charge account and take a Gift Certificate, as shown below, for which you pay next year on our 12-pay plan. This certificate you present to the lady of your choice and she comes to us, uses the certificate as cash, purchases a dress, dance frock or coat to the amount named.

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Available at either of our two stores in VANCOUVER 450 Granville 770 Granville
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HERMAN'S
THIS CERTIFICATE entitles ..... Dollars
to choose merchandise to the amount of .....
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Issued by Store No. ..... Acct. No. 1929
Signed .....

All your worries are at an end. She makes her own selection, chooses the colors that suit her—the style she likes. In that way she gets the perfect present. She is both pleased and proud. You have given her just what she wants and ensured it being correct in every particular, both because it is from Herman's and because she has been able to pick for herself exactly the garment she desires.

No Two The Same

We are Showing Some Very Choice New
FROCKS
For Daytime, Social or For EVENING WEAR
$25

These are extremely suitable for Christmas gifts. They are bright and gay, epitomizing the spirit of the season. They have all the new features—greater length—defined figure—sweeping graceful lines and all those fine details that fashion now decrees. Gorgeous colorings and charming materials—choice unlimited. There is no reason why your certificate cannot be "cashed in" prior to Christmas.

Note: These certificates can be purchased at any Herman Store — Vancouver, Victoria, Nanaimo or Calgary, and can be presented at the store at which they were obtained or at any other store of our chain system.

HERMAN'S
735 YATES STREET

ALL MEMBERS OF ONE UNIT SAYS VISITOR

War Disastrous Alike to Victor and Vanquished, Lady Clare Annesley Declares to Local Club

STIRRING ADDRESS GIVEN AT LUNCHEON

"Nowadays we are beginning to realize that we are all members of one another, that the world is just one great economic unit. We are beginning to see that war is almost as disastrous for the victor as for the vanquished," declared Lady Clare Annesley, one of Britain's outstanding feminine figures in the Labor Party, who was the guest of the Women's Canadian Club at a luncheon held in her honor at the Empress Hotel yesterday.

Lady Clare's address, given under the title of "Britain's Foreign Policy," was an argument for peace, for settlement of international problems by arbitration rather than war, and to this end she not only showed the ghastly suffering and terrible cost of war, but the tremendous uses to which the resources of money and science, now directed to destructive ends, could be put.

"It would pay a nation better today to permit a dispute to go to international arbitration, even if they lose, rather than go to war, even if they should win," maintained Lady Clare in the course of her plea, for support of the League of Nations. Citing some of the results of the last war which had been left, even in addition to all the men killed in action, she noted that in England there were today 2,000 blind and 6,000 insane ex-service men. And yet, according to those who ought to know, another war would be even more terrible because of the more awful inventions of destruction which had been made during the ten years which had elapsed since the cessation of hostilities. Lord Grey had pointed out long before the war how the mere fact of a nation's piling up armaments, even if on the mere argument of security, had a quite opposite effect merely because it engendered a sense of fear in some other nation.

One responsible statesman after another had said that, if the League of Nations had existed in 1914, there would have been no world war. This should induce people to support the league and try to see that their representatives at Geneva were imbued with the idea of making it more influential and progressive than ever before.

OVERWHELMING DEVASTATION

Lady Clare held out a picture of the overwhelming devastation which another war, with its terrible weapons of poison-gas and asphyxiating bombs, would bring even to the noncombatant part of the populations, for the war would be fought largely from the air, and these death-dealing inventions would scatter destruction over a vast area. On the other hand, if the inventions of science were used rightly, they could be made powerful instruments for bringing the nations closer together. Wireless and airplanes, instead of being weapons of destruction, should be a means of making the world realize that all war is civil war.

"Looking at the past we see that, although we call ourselves civilized today, the cave man was able to do infinitely less harm from the point of view of maiming his fellow man than we do today. The strongest fleet in the world today is as useless as seaweed if attacked from the air. War has become such a dangerous thing that, unless we exterminate war, war will exterminate humanity," the speaker continued. Referring to the tremendous cost of such fighting cruisers as the Admiral Rodney, Lady Clare noted that 200,000 working class houses could have been built at the cost of this ship. And such houses were needed in England, where thousands of families were living in homes of two rooms or less.

Europe looked across to the long unarmed boundary line between Canada and the United States and realized that it would be better if Europe could attain such a state of disarmed frontiers.

Lady Clare touched on some of the peace tendencies. Not only in the schools, but in many parent associations throughout the world a move was being made to give children nonmilitary toys; the churches were emphasizing the work of the League of Nations. In London a few days ago a big peace meeting was held at which two bishops presided and a resolution was passed emphasizing the value of the League of Nations.

"Those of us who have had the opportunity of going to Geneva to study at first hand the work of the League of Nations feel that it is the duty of every Government to do everything possible to forward the work of the league. That, perhaps, is the British foreign policy at the present time," said the speaker, who mentioned the heavy labor vote cast this year as compared with 1900, when they secured the support of only 52,000 of the electorate. The last vote rolled in 8,000,000 votes for Labor.

WORK OF THE WOMEN

"It was greatly owing to the fine work of the women of England in the cause of peace that the Labor Party came into power this year," Lady Clare noted, subsequently describing the remarkable pilgrimage of women to London, "which had emphasized throughout the country the importance of the Kellogg pact, and brought it home to the people of England." The British policy today was to substitute arbitration for war.

Mrs. P. B. Scurrah presided, and among the guests at the head table with Lady Clare Annesley were Miss Helen Mackenzie, Mrs. S. F. Tolmie, Mrs. Anscomb, Mrs. McIlree, Mr. H. Pendray, Mr. Bunn, Mesdames Spofford, H. F. Crowe, W. G. Wilson, W. W. Taylor, Carmichael, Farr, Gee, McConan, Pendray, Willis, Corby and Ellis.

Meeting of Club

The monthly meeting of the McBride Conservative Club will be held in the clubrooms, Sons of England Hall, Broad Street, on Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock.

What good did it do to be grouchy today?
Did your surliness drive any troubles away?
Did you cover more ground than you usually do.
Because of the grouch that you carried with you?

If not, what's the use of a grouch or a frown,
If it won't smooth a path or a grim trouble down,
If it doesn't assist you, it isn't worth while;
Your work may be hard, but just do it—and smile.

Surplus Products of Vancouver Island

The McBride Conservative Club (Incorporated) will continue at its next meeting on Wednesday evening the debate on "Surplus Products of Vancouver Island." Mr. W. O. Wallace will speak in support of logan-growers, while the apple producers will be supported by Mr. J. I. Seabrook.

The meeting will be held in the Amphion Hall, 739 Yates Street. With Captain Hugh Allan in the chair there will be the regular business transacted before the debate commences.

FOSTER BLOCK CHANGES HANDS

VANCOUVER FIRM HAS ACQUIRED PREMISES FOR BRANCH

Stationery Company Will Have Facilities for Vancouver Island Trade

Sale of the Foster Block, Government Street, for approximately $25,000 to Clarke & Stuart, Ltd., one of the oldest stationery firms in Vancouver, was confirmed in Vancouver yesterday by Mr. Walter H. Roberts, of H. A. Roberts, Limited, who handled the transaction on behalf of the purchasers. It has been known for some time that the building has been sold.

"We have acquired the Victoria property," stated Mr. Robert S. Stuart, secretary-treasurer of the firm, "for the purpose of taking care of our Victoria customers. We believe that Victoria's growth is a reflection of the rapid development taking place in Vancouver, and for that reason we have initiated a programme of expansion, of which this transaction is only the beginning."

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CHINESE BOY HEADS POLL IN THIS CITY

Ross Jung, Gordon Fields, Frank Holdridge and Jack Meritt Chosen for Older Boys' Parliament

CLOSE BALLOTING FOR MEMBERSHIP

With the date of the opening of the fifth annual Older Boys' Parliament set for December 27, the Tuxis Boys and Trail Rangers met last night at the Y.M.C.A., and only after some close balloting chose their four candidates for the session, which is expected to be one of the most successful in its history.

The following were selected: Ross Jung Chinese candidate, 85 votes; Gordon Fields, 80; Frank Holdridge, 66; Jack Meritt, 64. Brown Cave and James Luttrell were defeated by a narrow margin. The close voting was due no doubt to the outcome of the big conclave held Friday night, when close to 200 Tuxis and Trail Rangers heard the various candidates speak.

According to the information received from Vancouver yesterday, the following have been elected from Vancouver and districts: Grandview, Minoru Ito, Japanese boy, who headed the poll in his constituency; Point Grey, W. Crocker; Fairmont and Kitsilano districts, D. McLarin, S. Shaneman, R. McRae, B. Bamforth, W. Windebank; Vancouver City, Cyril Williams and Milton Owens.

The election this year has aroused more interest than previous years throughout the province and the polling is expected to surpass the mark established twelve months ago.

As the opening night of parliament is to be Tuxis Night, all members of the Tuxis and Trail Rangers are urged to attend and hear their candidates speak.

Following the election a meeting of the council was held and a decision was reached and unanimously adopted to have the various groups defray the expenses of the session. Before the meeting adjourned Mr. Frank Fiddier congratulated the successful candidates. Mr. H. L. English presided.

Mr. Oliver Now Likely to Ask Trial by Jury

PENTICTON, B.C., Dec. 7. — The latest indications are that Charles Oliver, charged with "forcible seizure" of Dr. V. E. Latimer in Penticton's recent tar and feather case, will choose a jury trial, rather than the speedy trial which it was at first thought he would elect, when he appears in County Court here on Tuesday.

In the event of a jury trial it will probably take place at the Vernon assizes some time between April and June. Mr. J. W. deB. Farris, former Attorney-General of British Columbia, will act as senior counsel for Mr. Oliver, but will not appear in court here on Tuesday when the accused elects for trial.

GIFTS AN ANCIENT CUSTOM

The giving of gifts at Christmas probably originated in one of the Christ Child stories, that of the Three Wise Men who brought to the Holy Baby gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh.

Parlor Dog Exhibit Of Kennel Club Is Record for Season

Unusual Number of Entries Are Made for Popular Event at Which Joe Dodds Acts as Efficient Judge—125 Canines Benched

Last night the Kennel Club of Victoria held the record show which has taken place this season, both from the point of view of the number of entries and also as to the amount of people who attended.

Joe Dodds, of Vancouver, acted as judge of all breeds, and displayed a shrewdness and efficiency which missed nothing of the good and bad points which came under his notice.

Of the 125 entries, perhaps the breeds which showed to the best advantage were the gun dogs, although all classes were well represented. Results follow:

PEKINGESE

Junior puppy dogs—1, Mr. Miles' Craighohr Prize; 2, Mr. Miles' Miles Favorite.

Open dogs—1, Mrs. Moore's Glenmohr Sheik; 2, Mrs. Castle's Boh Boh; 2, Mrs. Plimley's Bijou of Shantung.

Junior puppy bitches — 1, Mrs. Castle's Baby; 2, Mrs. Castle's Ying Poo; 3, H. Holmes' Bonny.

Senior puppy bitch—1, Mrs. Bessonette's Shantung Do Do.

Open bitches—1, H. Holmes' Can Toy of Kia Ora; 2, Mrs. Moore's Glenmohr Sue Kee; 3, Mrs. Grist's Sally.

POMERANIANS

Open dogs—1, Mrs. Tooby's Saucy Moco.

Senior puppy bitches — 1, Mrs. Bradley's Glodie Girl.

Open bitches—1, Mrs. Bradley's Princess Tangerine; 2, Mrs. Haithwaite's Biddy.

Best toy puppy—1, Mrs. Bradley's Glodie Girl.

Best toy—1, Mrs. Moore's Glenmohr Sheik.

BOSTON TERRIERS

Junior puppy bitches — 1, B. Pritchett's Hi Born Intruder Me; 2, Mrs. Lefurgey's Spitfire; 3, Mrs. Lefurgey's Cutie.

Senior puppy bitches—1, Mrs. Lefurgey's Tiny Love; 2, Miss Haylock's Peggy.

Open bitches—1, Mrs. Lefurgey's Kewpie; 2, Mrs. Lefurgey's Tiny Love; 3, M. Bloomfield's Pathos.

ALSATIANS

Junior puppy dogs—1, H. Bentley's Rex.

Senior puppy dogs—1, Mrs. Weeks' Pax Dewy; 2, R. L. Challoner's Bodo; 3, B. Hogarth's Tex.

Open dogs — 1, Betty Haynes' Prince; 2, Capt. Parks' Etzel of Glenmohr.

Senior puppy bitches—1, Mrs. Holland's Lady Margaret.

Open bitches—1, W. Taylor's Dunnum; 2, Mrs. Matthews' Lady Aline Defour.

COLLIES

1, Dr. Sipprell's Davaar Chieftain.

ST. BERNARDS

1, E. Haylock's Queen.

Best nonsporting puppy—1, B. Pritchett's Hi Born Intruder Me.

Best nonsporting—1, Mrs. Lefurgey's Kewpie.

SCOTTISH TERRIERS

Junior puppy dogs—1, G. L. Brodie's Chunkie.

Junior puppy bitches—1, G. L. Brodie's Dina; 2, Mrs. Burnett's Jacklin.

SMOOTH FOX TERRIERS

Junior puppy dogs — 1, W. B. White's Prince Victor.

Open dogs—1, K. S. Watson's Rob Roy.

Junior puppy bitches—1, Miss C. Wood's Dibby.

WIRE-HAIRED FOX TERRIERS

Junior puppy dogs—1, G. H. Maynard's Shiroy Bold Boy.

Open bitches—1, Miss W. Payne's Sally.

CAIRN TERRIERS

Open dogs—1, Miss Garnett's Admiral Out of the West.

Senior puppy bitches—1, Miss Garnett's Ramsdell Fione.

AIREDALE TERRIERS

1, Mrs. Ellis' Peter.

WEST HIGHLAND WHITE TERRIERS

Open dogs—1, Mrs. Creighton's Hamish McRic.

Best terrier puppy—1, G. L. Brodie's Cragside Dina.

Best terrier—1, G. L. Brodie's Cragside Dina.

Best dog shown by boy or girl—1, Joan Brodie's Cragside Chunkie.

Green class—1, Mrs. Bradley's Goldie Girl.

Puppy selling class—1, H. MacKenzie's Trixie of Bank Bay.

Senior selling class—1, H. MacKenzie's Alice of Bank Bay.

LABRADOR RETRIEVERS

Open dogs—1, W. Tervellen's Jock.

IRISH SETTERS

Open dogs—1, Miss Dukes' Brian of Avoca; 2, E. N. Barker's Barney of Avoca.

GORDON SETTERS

Open bitches—1, E. N. Barker's Millstream Jean.

ENGLISH SETTERS

Junior puppy dogs—1, H. MacKenzie's Stormer of Bank Bay; 2, H. MacKenzie's Showman of Bank Bay.

Senior puppy dogs—1, N. Scott's Mark.

Open dogs—1, Pinehill Kennel's Pinehill Premier; 2, Mrs. Bessonette's Dovedale Charmer.

Senior puppy bitches—1, H. MacKenzie's Trixie of Bank Bay.

Open bitches—1, H. MacKenzie's Alice of Bank Bay; 2, Mrs. Bessonette's Dovedale Fashion; 3, Miss Kinloch's Shawnigan Sheila.

SPRINGER SPANIELS

Senior puppy dogs—1, H. P. Johnston's Peter.

Open dogs — 1, Miss Kinloch's Phillipston Dan.

Senior puppy bitches—1, W. C. Burns' Duchess of Burnside; 2, W. C. Burns' Countess of Burnside; 3, Mrs. Drummond Davis' Dawn of Burnside.

COCKER SPANIELS

Junior puppy dogs—1, Mrs. J. K. Stewart's Kim; 2, H. Jones' Jack.

Open dogs—1, E. N. Barker's Millstream Snipe; 2, Mrs. Willoughby's Socks.

Junior puppy bitches — 1, Mrs. Stewart's Stewart Carol; 2, Mrs. Stewart's Stewart Creina.

Open bitches—1, H. MacKenzie's Alice of Bank Bay; 2, Mrs. Bessonette's Dovedale Fashion; 3, Miss Kinloch's Shawnigan Sheila.

Best sporting puppy—Mrs. Stewart's Kim.

Best sporting—Miss Dukes' Brian of Avoca.

Best junior puppy—Mrs. Stewart's Kim.

Best senior puppy—H. MacKenzie's Trixie of Bank Bay.

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ACTOR SINGER IS ACCORDED BIG OVATION

William Heughan, Scottish Artist, Given Great Welcome at Shrine Hall Recital

FIRST PROGRAMME OF AMERICAN TOUR

Victoria had the honor last evening of hearing the first concert of Mr. William Heughan's American recital tour, following his long tour in the Southern Hemisphere. Competing with the several counter-attractions of the pre-Christmas season, the great Scottish actor-singer, nevertheless, drew an intensely enthusiastic audience, and with characteristic graciousness he expended himself and gave them examples of the finest side of his art. Those who fail to hear him at either of his two remaining recitals may be postponing a rare pleasure indefinitely, for it is understood that Mr. Heughan is now on his way back to the Old Land and will not be coming this way again for some time.

Few of the internationally-known singers have such a magnificent equipment as this picturesque Scotsman. For to a superb voice he adds an apt and versatile histriony, a commanding and magnetic platform presence, and a charming, resonant speaking voice. This latter is, perhaps more than all the others, a rare possession in a singer. One need only recall the unpleasant disillusion so often experienced when artists undertake to announce even the titles of their songs. Mr. Heughan does far more than this, for he rarerly sings a song without expository comment of some kind, so interesting in substance and so vibrantly beautiful in delivery, with just enough of the Scots tang about it to give it flavor, that momentarily one almost longs for the postponement of the song in order that he may continue talking. It is exactly the same quality of voice which he uses in singing, showing that it is a perfectly natural instrument, vibrant, deep-chested, sympathetic and expressive in tone. And he plays upon it well, with an instinct for mood and the technique to command it at will. Humor, pathos, tragedy, are interpreted with fine dimension. The rapidity with which he dons a part makes masking and unmasking seem slow by comparison.

In his programme last night the best examples of this histrionic power was "Widdicombe Fair," a superb bit of characterization in which he had to remold himself, vocally, physically and temperamentally, half a dozen times in the space of as many lines in order to conjure up the figures of the several boon companions figuring in the story. A Scot Mr. Heughan may be, but one forgot all about his nationality during his singing of this magnificent bit of English country comedy. He had other fine songs of the same lik, including "Jan's Courtship," one of Cecil Sharp's collection, and "The Broken Ring." In both these the expression of the face and the deportment had as much significance as the songs.

Of slightly different order, but disclosing other facets of his mimetic genius, was that fine bit of Mephistophean satire, Moussorgsky's "Song of the Flea," through the sardonic laughter and groans of which he made his audience feel the double agony of a tortured mind and body. To the singing of Schubert's "Death and the Maiden," he brought another gift, that of presenting personality through musical values. Jacobite songs, sung with fervor; grim tragedy, as heard in "Callum o' Glen;" hearty Irish songs, such as "Father O'Flynn," sung with an unmistakeable Irish roll of the "R's," and bits of opera and pure balladry rounded out a typically generous programme.

Supplementary to Mr. Heughan's part were delightful piano and 'cello groups. Miss Gladys Sayer, who in domestic life is Mr. Heughan's wife, is a great favorite as a solo pianist, although she is a most accomplished accompanist also. Her group, Debussy's "Claire de Lune," "Anitra's Dance" from the Peer Gynt suite by Grieg, and the old Scottish melody, "My Heart Is Sair for Somebody," revealed a crystal clear and polished style with much artistry and sympathy of expression. Miss Bell, the 'cellist, has a very charming tone, and injected very pleasing qualities into her playing of Popper's "Andacht," Van Goens' gauzelike and dreamy "Scherzo," and the muted "Drink to Me Only," which she added as an encore.

DUNCAN STILL OUT IN FRONT IN BADMINTON

Up-Islanders Keep Unbeaten Record Intact by 12-6 Victory Over Garrison Club

Y.M.C.A. DEFEATS SAANICHTON, 11-5

Duncan remained at the top of the first division of the Lower Island Badminton League last night, when they took the Garrison into camp, 12 to 6, at the Armories. The Up-Islanders showed a lot of strength in the mixed doubles, winning nine of the twelve matches.

Results, with the Garrison team first mentioned, follow:

Men's Doubles

D. Hincks and C. H. Rayment lost to Bazett and Peel, 15-2, 15-5.

Major Gibson and C. Holmes lost to Dirom and Appleby, 15-8, 15-6.

L. A. Austin-Leigh and B. Flett won from Smythe and Ancell, 15-2, 17-15.

Women's Doubles

Miss Miller and Miss Oates lost to Miss Leeming and Mrs. Rice, 15-6, 6-15, 15-5.

Miss Pitts and Miss Nicholson won from Miss Blythe and Mrs. Ancell, 15-2, 15-3.

Mrs. Gibson and Mrs. Tingley won from Mrs. Prichard and Mrs. Purvey, 15-9, 15-12.

Mixed Doubles

Miss Oates and Hincks won from Miss Blythe and Peel, 15-5, 10-15, 15-12.

Miss Oates and Hincks lost to Mrs. Ancell and Bazett, 15-6, 15-7.

Miss Miller and Rayment lost to Mrs. Ancell and Bazett, 15-4, 15-7.

Miss Miller and Rayment lost to Miss Blythe and Peel, 15-4, 15-7.

Mrs. Gibson and Gibson lost to Mrs. Rice and Dirom, 11-5, 15-9, 15-9.

Miss Pitts and Austin-Leigh lost to Mrs. Rice and Dirom, 15-17, 15-6, 15-4.

Miss Pitts and Austin-Leigh lost to Miss Leeming and Appleby, 15-7, 15-6.

Mrs. Tingley and Flett lost to Mrs. Purvey and Smythe, 6-15, 17-15, 15-14.

Mrs. Tingley and Flett won from Mrs. Prichard and Ancell, 15-11, 15-12.

Miss Nicholson and Holmes won from Mrs. Prichard and Ancell, 15-9, 15-12.

Miss Nicholson and Holmes lost to Mrs. Purvey and Smythe, 15-9, 12-15, 18-15.

Y.M.C.A. WINS

Y.M.C.A. advanced a few points at the expense of Saanichton last night in a Third Division fixture of the Lower Island Badminton League by their 11-5 victory on their home courts, while Fairfield and Christ Church failed to come to terms and finished in an eight-all deadlock.

The "Y's" margin of victory came in the mixed doubles as they captured six of the eight matches. The winners took three of the four games in the women's doubles and broke even in the men's doubles.

Keen competition is the least that can be said about the Fairfield-Christ Church match, as practically every game was a nip-and-tuck battle from the start. Fairfield made a clean sweep of the women's doubles, while the teams broke even in the men's doubles. Christ Church rallied and took six of the eight mixed doubles matches to even the count.

The scores of the Y.M.C.A.-Saanichton match, with Y.M.C.A. players first mentioned, follow:

Women's Doubles

Misses Campbell and Marconini won from Misses Bagley and Moore, 15-7.

Misses Campbell and Marconini won from Misses Tanner and Gibson, 15-12.

Misses Dunn and Phillips won from Misses Bagley and Moore, 18-17.

Misses Dunn and Phillips lost to Misses Tanner and Gibson, 15-18.

Men's Doubles

Witter and Harper lost to Watson and Bagley, 9-15.

Witter and Harper won from Love and Lawson, 15-2.

Legh and Connorton lost to Watson and Bagley, 15-17.

Legh and Connorton won from Love and Lawson, 15-7.

Mixed Doubles

Miss Campbell and Witter won from Miss Bagley and Love, 15-5.

Miss Campbell and Witter won from Miss Gibson and Bagley, 15-1.

Miss Marconini and Harper won from Miss Bagley and Love, 18-16.

Miss Marconini and Harper won from Miss Gibson and Bagley, 15-4.

Miss Dunn and Legh won from Miss Tanner and Lawson, 15-9.

Miss Dunn and Legh won from Miss Moore and Watson, 15-5.

Miss Phillips and Connorton lost to Miss Tanner and Lawson, 10-15.

Miss Phillips and Connorton lost to Miss Moore and Watson, 11-15.

BATTLE TO DRAW

The scores of the Fairfield-Christ Church match, with Fairfield players first mentioned, follow:

Women's Doubles

Mrs. White and Mrs. Sehl won from Misses R. Fatt and R. Halet, 17-14.

Mrs. White and Mrs. Sehl won from Misses Chrow and Brown, 15-7.

Misses M. Taylor and W. Taylor won from Misses P. Fatt and R. Halet, 18-13.

Misses M. Taylor and W. Taylor won from Misses Chrow and Brown, 15-5.

Men's Doubles

Fish and Wallace won from F. Simmons and G. Simmons, 15-10.

Fish and Wallace won from R. Moore and Poole, 15-12.

Sehl and G. White lost to F. Simmons and G. Simmons, 7-15.

Sehl and G. White lost to R. Moore and Poole, 6-15.

Mixed Doubles

Fish and Mrs. White won from G. Simmons and Miss R. Halet, 15-9.

Fish and Mrs. White lost to F. Simmons and Miss P. Fatt, 16-17.

Sehl and Miss M. Taylor lost to R. Moore and Miss R. Brown, 15-18.

Sehl and Miss M. Taylor lost to Poole and Miss Chrow, 12-15.

Wallace and Mrs. Sehl lost to F. Simmons and Miss P. Fatt, 9-15.

Wallace and Mrs. Sehl won from Miss R. Halet and G. Simmons, 18-13.

G. White and Miss W. Taylor lost to R. Moore and Miss Brown, 14-17.

G. White and Miss W. Taylor lost to Poole and Miss Chrow, 13-18.

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Dr. Keppel, Director Of Carnegie Trusts, Lauds Missionaries

Recent Visitor Here Writes of Beneficent Work of Christian Missions in Elementary and Higher Education, Public Health, Hygiene and in Rural Sociology

General Smuts Advocates African Medical Missions

WARM praise of the missionaries in Africa is given by Dr. F. B. Keppel, the president of the Carnegie Corporation, who was a recent visitor here in connection with the extension of library service in British Columbia. Dr. Keppel took a rapid trip not long ago through Kenya, Uganda, Tanganyika, Southern Rhodesia and the Union of South Africa, all of these being parts of British East and South Africa, in order to see what might be done for the African natives under the terms of Mr. Carnegie's gift. Writing in the October number of The International Review of Missions, this distinguished authority said his first and foremost impression was of "the earnestness and devotion of the individual missionary. I do not recall a single incident of service which I could call perfunctory. Secondly, I would place the high quality of results obtained in view of the limitations existing."

Admitting that he had no general knowledge of foreign missions, Dr. Keppel begins his article with confessing that he "had entirely underestimated the importance of Christian missions as a factor in the development of peoples of low cultural level. In British Africa, at any rate, this is outstandingly the work of the missions in the fields of elementary and higher education, of public health and hygiene and in what may be called rural sociology. Such educational centres as Livingstonia in South Africa and the Currie Institute at Dondi in West Africa teach young men all sorts of useful trades, while the young women receive training in domestic science. The foundation is laid for a self-supporting and renovated African community. These Christian missions shine as bright spots in the midst of African superstition and ignorance.

The co-operation between the Government and the mission is commented upon by Dr. Keppel. "The missionary has preceded the Government administrator. He is a permanent resident and officials naturally turn to the permanent resident for counsel, particularly since the latter has had so much direct contact with the Native, and in many cases is familiar with the language." The recognition by the Government that prosperity, peace and justice can only be built up on character and that character is dependent upon a living religious faith, has resulted in many of the Governments giving large financial assistance to missions, as Dr. Donald Fraser has shown in his book "The New Africa. Because of this attitude the Uganda appropriation has risen from £2,000 to £30,000, and will soon reach £100,000 annually.

General Smuts, of Africa, is also a firm friend of missions. In a recent lecture at Oxford, he urged the missionary societies to fight the medicine man, whom he described as "the ruler of Africa today," with scientific and medical aspects of missionary work. "The medical mission," said the general, "is the mission for Africa." He was of the opinion, however, that "The Christian missionary, after a century of ceaseless effort, has not yet succeeded in making any deep impression upon Africa. Compared with the enormous progress and still rapid spread of Mohammedanism his success is not very striking."

Commenting upon this in The Scots Observer, Dr. Donald Fraser, the renowned veteran of African missions, states that "numerically, Christian missions have had far greater results than Mohammedanism. Uganda is more Christian than Mohammedan, though Islam was earlier on the field." In the matter of ethical standards, intellectual awakening and general national progress, Mohammedanism has little to show. Whereas they "are all over the record of Christian missions. Count the schools, manned by African teachers, the hospitals, and the results in better health conditions, the economic and industrial progress, and, above all, the changed lives of men and women, and we stand amazed at what fifty years of Christian missions have accomplished."

Canadians contribute to several African missions, but mainly on the West Coast and in the Sudan. The United Church of Canada, with its highly successful work in Angola, Portuguese West Africa, is the only major communion which has interests in the Dark Continent.

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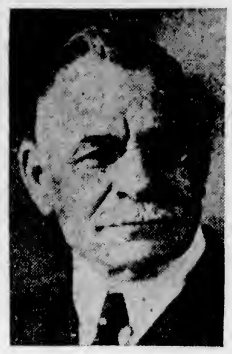

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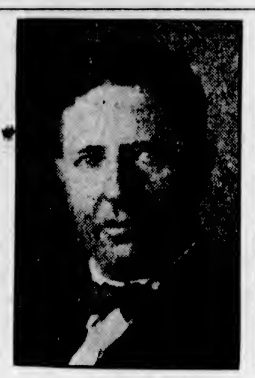

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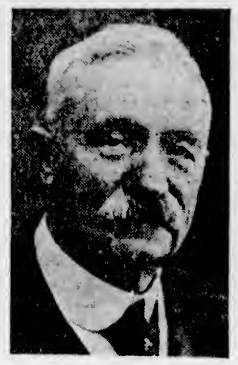

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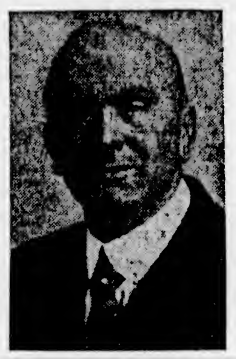

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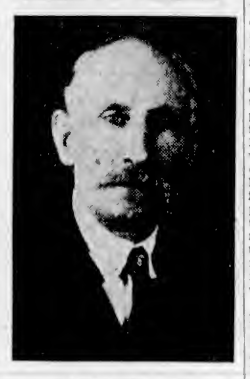

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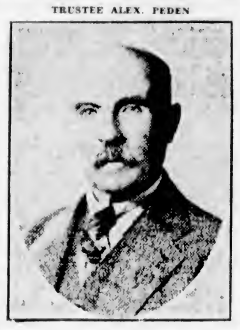

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TRAINING SCHOOL IS CONTEMPLATED

Proposal Will Be Favored for Month of March—Proposed Religious Education Council

Proposals that a training school for Sunday school workers should be held in Victoria next March, and that a New Year's Day service for children of the city might be held in the new cathedral on January 1, were among matters discussed at a meeting of the Religious Education Council, held last week in the Memorial Hall. Official representatives of four religious denominations attended the meeting, and the proposals will be referred to the denominational groups for consideration. The Y.M.C.A., Girls' Leaders' Council and Children's Leaders' Council were also represented.

PROVISIONAL DATES

Following the success of the "training week" held last Spring, when ninety-nine teachers enrolled, unanimous support was given to a resolution that a similar effort should be undertaken next year. The dates mentioned were March 10-12 and 18-20, inclusive.

A request for courses of study that would be of practical interest to Sunday school workers in the city, brought forth a number of suggestions. Among those proposed were child study, for teachers of little children; work with junior boys and girls; materials and methods in Bible study for adolescents; young people's work; the life of Christ; worship and the devotional life; social and recreational leadership. Committees were appointed to inquire into the feasibility of arranging for courses on these subjects.

CONSTITUTION SUGGESTED

Rev. E. R. McLean, of Vancouver, secretary of the Provincial Religious Education Council, introduced a constitution for the organization of a Greater Victoria Religious Education Council. The object of the council would be to advance the work of religious education in the community, by conferring and advising in matters of common interest, giving expression to common views and decisions, and co-operating in matters common to all, while providing for each co-operating body to retain complete supervision of its own work.

It was also provided that on the request of any member, a vote on any question would be taken by units, each denominational unit, no matter how many representatives it might have, polling but one vote. Another clause declared that any unit might at any time decline to have any particular line of work promoted in its constituency without relinquishing its membership on the council, or preventing its promotion among other units.

The control of the council would be vested in a board of management, upon which all religious bodies co-operating would have representation. It was decided to hold another meeting on January 16, when the adoption of a constitution will be considered, and reports will be received from committees appointed to prepare for the training school in March. In the meantime, Mr. A. R. Merrix is acting-president of the council, Mrs. M. C. Wilkinson is secretary, and Mr. J. G. Simpson is treasurer.

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CFCT WILLING TO FIND RURAL HOME

Removal of Transmitter Several Miles From City Conditional on Paid Programmes

At a meeting of the Victoria Radio Club the announcement was made that CFCT, the Victoria broadcasting station, was willing to remove its transmitting apparatus several miles from the city if permitted to derive revenue from paid programmes, such as those for advertising purposes, but that without sufficient revenue from such programmes the expense involved could not be incurred.

A special committee, which had been appointed, reported to the club in favor of asking the Government to terminate the present prohibition of straight advertising programmes. The report was tabled for further inquiry.

The radio club has hitherto been on record as opposing direct advertising in programmes, but members expressed willingness to modify this attitude as regarding morning broadcasts.

SHORT WAVE LENGTHS

S. J. Lawrence and members of the Short Wave Club were guests at the meeting. After proposals for affiliation had been discussed and abandoned the Victoria Radio Club offered to give the new body a short wave transmitter, receiver, sending apparatus and power transformer.

To attain early action by the Federal Government towards adoption of the recommendations of the Royal Commission on Broadcasting, the radio club has sent a circular appeal to local service clubs and other bodies, asking registration of their views at Ottawa.

"When a poor young man marries a poor young woman, that is love. But nowadays wealth—yes, even the thought of wealth—drives all idea of marriage from your poor young man's head."

Clarence Darrow, "the new Voltaire," was criticizing post-war morals at a dinner at the Blackstone in Chicago.

"A young man," he went on, "said to a young girl one evening:

"'I wish I had enough money to marry on.'

"The young girl's heart began to beat unsteadily and she murmured in a low, unsteady voice:

"'What would you do if you had?'

"'Throw up my job,' said the young man, 'and travel and sow wild oats all over the whole world.'"

Jackey wasn't feeling well and went to see his doctor. The doctor, after examining him, asked Jackey how old he was.

"Thirty-five," said Jakey.

"Well, that's bad," said the doctor, "for you have diabetes, and at thirty-five it's a very dangerous disease."

Jakey went to his office, down on Wall Street, and on the way met his friend, Ikey. Looking pretty dejected, Ikey asked, "What's the matter with you?"

"Oh," said Jakey, "I have diabetes at thirty-five."

"That's nothing," Ikey replied, "I've got General Electric at 400."

Epidemic Breaks Out at Capital; Disease Is Mild

OTTAWA, Dec. 7. — Although nearly 100 cases of scarlet fever are being treated in the capital today, it is emphasized at the city health department only a mild form of the disease is prevalent. The condition of patients rapidly answers to treatment and Dr. T. A. Lomer, medical officer of health, is confident no serious spread of the mild epidemic will occur.

The unusually high total of scarlet fever cases, coupled with forty-six of diphtheria and nearly forty of chickenpox is taxing facilities at the isolation hospital. All wards are filled to capacity today.

"Yes," sighed the old gentleman, "women were always wanting new bonnets in my young days."

"My wife wants one now," sighed the young husband; "one with a limousine behind it."

First Film Star: "Who was that man you smiled at as we came in?"

Second Film Star: "Oh, I've forgotten his name, but he was about the nicest man I ever married!"

BIG FIVE PARLEY IS PREPARING

Disarmament Gathering Will Be Held in London Next Month

LONDON, Dec. 7.—Active preparations have started for the big five naval disarmament conference to be held in London in January. Ranking as it will with the Paris Conference and the Washington Conference of 1921, the London Conference of 1930 is expected to go down in history as the third great gathering of the powers after the World War. The Hague, Locarno, Genoa and half a dozen other place names of conferences held during the last decade are looked upon as lesser milestones on the long road to world peace and disarmament.

Ancient London will be host to France, Italy, Japan and the United States. Each participating country will be responsible for the housing of its own delegation; reservations in four of the finest hotels in the West End have been made. Chief delegates, experts, advisors, clerks and secretaries will have in addition to their rooms suites for conference office work.

Official announcement of the exact location of sessions remains to be made, but of the two probable places, the Foreign Office in Downing Street or historic old St. James' Palace, the latter the more likely, will be chosen. The great audience chamber there where royal levees are held is the only room of its kind in London suitable for the plenary sessions. Half the space at these colorful gatherings will be reserved for newspaper men. Unusual facilities will be afforded news writers for picturing proceedings for readers throughout the world.

With five principal delegates expected to represent each of the five participating powers seated around the great conference table, a score of experts from each country in the background, a hundred or more accredited news reporters and members of the public who will have sufficient influence to obtain entrance tickets, the capacity of any available room will be taxed to the utmost. Starting the third week in January, the sessions will last from two to four weeks, according to plans being made.

PATENT OFFICE BUSY

Work in United States Department Is About Six Years Behind

WASHINGTON, D.C., Dec. 7.—The inventive urge the country over has placed the Patent Office five or six years behind in its work. The annual report of Commissioner Thomas R. Robertson, of the Patent Office, pointed out that while applications for patents pending before the board were decreased by 8,618, through the addition of examiners, 103,236 remained to be acted upon.

"At this rate of speed," he reported, "it will take from five to six years to bring the work up to date, so that an applicant might obtain official action with reasonable promptness." The need for a larger personnel, he said, "is manifest," and asked for 100 more examiners.

"The plot thickens," said the old lady as she sowed the grass seed for the third time.

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$29.75 — LAFAYETTE—Handsome dust-proof case; 15 jewels; radium dial, flexible mesh band.

AMBASSADOR—Bulova's latest feature watch; radium dial; dust-proof case; 15 jewel; bar link band $37.50

$49.50 — ISOBEL—Delicately engraved; set with two genuine diamonds and four emeralds (or sapphires).

$60.00 — PRES MADISON—Popular 17 jewel Bulova; handsomely engraved; dust-proof case; radium dial, and metal edged mesh band.

$37.50 — LONE EAGLE—Its popularity is deserved; sturdy, dependable, unusually handsome, 15 jewels, radium dial.

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NIGHT CLUBS HIT SEVERELY

Stock Market Depression Has Impaired Demand for Bootleg Liquor in New York City

BREAK IN PRICES QUICKLY FOLLOWS

NEW YORK, Dec. 7.—For the first time since prohibition, New York is faced with a surplus of night clubs. The recent market decline, which took so much water out of stocks, has left little except water in the clubs. The lambs shorn in Wall Street have made the champagne palaces the goat and now refuse to purchase anything except water in the places which only a few weeks ago were doing a roaring business in the roaring Forties and Fifties.

Not only have several night clubs closed, but the pinch has been felt by society bootleggers, catering to rich patrons, who find themselves with a lot of good liquor they are unable to dispose of. Imported champagne, which was selling a few days back for $100 a case, is listed on the wholesale market at from $70 to $75 a case, while the same slash in prices applies to Canadian rye and Scotch. Rye it was reported, is now wholesaling at $59-$60, where it brought as much as $80 before the bears began to hammer the market.

First grade Scotch which sold at $60 to $65 a case is now offered at from $48 to $50. All this is first class, uncut stuff and there are few takers. So serious is the wholesale liquor situation that big bootleggers expressed the opinion that the rum kings would be forced to look for the picture."

• MORE QUAKES •

MANHATTAN, Texas, Dec. 7.—The third earth tremor within the past three months shook Manhattan and vicinity at 2 o'clock this morning. A single shock shook buildings and rattled windows. No damage was reported.

Many persons were awakened by the tremor, which also was reported at Wamego, about twenty miles east of here.

Seven Aspirants for School Board Posts

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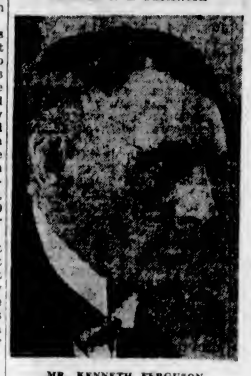
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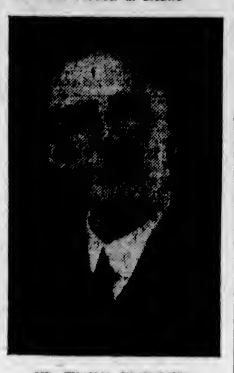
MR. THOMAS HUMPHRIES

CABINET RESIGNS

WARSAW, Dec. 7.—The Polish Cabinet headed by Premier Switalsky resigned today. Premier Switalsky tendered the resignation of his Cabinet to President Moscicki, who accepted it and at the same time requested the ministry to continue in office for the time being.

CAPTAIN F. R. WRIGHT

TROPICAL PLAGUES DAMAGE PAINTINGS

Fungi Attack Official Records of Epic Scenes During Construction of Panama Canal

BALBOA, Canal Zone, Dec. 7.—Tropical fungi which started to eat five great mural paintings here, sole official records of epic scenes in buildings of the Panama Canal, have been balked by chemists. The paintings show scenes now fifty feet under the canal waters, and gigantic construction comparable with pyramid building. The artist who painted them, W. B. Van Ingen, of the Art School of Cooper Union, New York, supervised the fungi campaign, and some of the best chemical minds of America and Europe collaborated in the extermination.

This latest outbreak of tropical plagues, which one after another have been mastered in making the canal, differed from anything which modern art heretofore has faced. Fungi have attacked smaller paintings before, and have been killed by fumigation. But entirely new methods, said Mr. Van Ingen, had to be devised for the canal murals, which cover 400 square feet, and have 800 pounds of white lead holding them to the walls of the administration building. The fungi are a vegetable parasite, a species of mould. Mr. Van Ingen said they spread in clusters of green and white, resembling damp talcum powder. In spots he found the paint apparently eaten down to the canvas less than fifteen years after the paintings had been completed.

Originally the paintings had been covered with a protective varnish of beeswax. This was washed off with alternate turpentine and alcohol baths. A wash of thymol was discovered to be effective in exterminating the fungi, even to the deep-seated spores. Then ammonia washed off the dead fungi, and the pictures were safeguarded for the future with a coating of parafin mixed with thymol. Temperature records of ten years were examined to learn what mixture would keep the parafin from melting or deteriorating.

Thymol is a compound found in oils of thyme and horsemint, and used as an antiseptic. It has an aromatic odor. An unexpected result was disappearance of worn spots.

"This," said Mr. Van Ingen, "was inexplicable but satisfactory. The paintings appeared as though they had been executed the day before, and there had not been applied a brushful of paint to them since 1915."

San Francisco Chinese Leave Off Old Custom

That residents of San Francisco's Chinatown, the largest Chinese settlement outside of China, have discontinued the practice of shipping bodies of their deceased countrymen back to the Celestial Kingdom for interment in their native soil is the statement of a number of marine underwriters.

An article in an Eastern insurance paper quoted an official of the Fidelity Phoenix Insurance Co. at New York City as declaring that the practice of shipping bodies to China furnished a source of revenue to marine insurance companies, inasmuch as it is customary to insure the bodies.

Inquiry at San Francisco reveals that, while the marine companies formerly wrote a considerable volume of this business, there has been no demand for this particular form of insurance for several years, as the progressive Chinese in the western United States have been adopting the customs of Americans.

In former years a number of marine insurance offices at San Francisco insured bodies "F.P.A." at a rate of one per cent. The usual amount of insurance written was $1,000, and marine men often wondered just how they would explain matters to the insured in the event of a partial loss.

The method in which the shipments were insured, covering only total loss, made the business profitable to the companies, and no San Francisco marine underwriter among those interviewed was able to recall a single instance in which a claim was made for loss or damage; in fact, the business was so good that some misguided underwriter commenced cutting rates, and dead Chinese were being insured for as low as one-half of one per cent, state the marine men.

Another custom formerly prevailing among the relatives of Chinese who died on the Pacific Coast, notably the workers in the salmon canneries of Alaska, was the practice of employing coopers to salt the dead Chinese away in a huge cask and dispatch him to San Francisco to await shipment to the land of his sacred ancestors. The coopers in Alaska were paid from $25 to $50 for the work.

TAX CUT PASSED

WASHINGTON, Dec. 7.—The Senate finance committee today reported favorably on the $160,000,000 tax reduction resolution

MR. W. F. MACLEAN DIES AT TORONTO

Well-Known Canadian Journalist and Politician Is Dead After Only Short Illness

TORONTO, Dec. 7.—Mr. William Finlay MacLean, former proprietor of The Toronto World and dean of the House of Commons, died today. He was seventy-five years old.

Mr. MacLean had been ill for about ten days with heart complications. The funeral arrangements have not yet been made.

In the House of Commons Mr. MacLean represented East York from 1892 until 1904 and from 1908 to 1926 was member for South York as an Independent Conservative. He retired from political life in 1926 when he was defeated by Mr. Herbert P. MacGregor, the official Conservative candidate, in a memorable battle in which the Liberals did not participate.

He is survived by his son, Mr. Hugh John MacLean, and Mrs. Molly Sifton, wife of Mr. Harry Sifton.

United Church New Hymnal Is Approved

TORONTO, Dec. 7.—The new hymnbook of the United Church of Canada has been approved by the executive committee of the General Council and will be placed in the hands of the publishers.

It is expected the new book will be ready for and given first use at the next General Council, to be convened in St. Andew's Church, London, next September.

A flirt is a girl who makes up her face quicker than her mind.

Seek Police Board Vacancy

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MR. ANDREW McGAVIN

"I knew a young fellow who went to sleep one night, and the next morning awoke a white-haired old man."

"Oh. Come now! That's a tall one!"

"It's a fact. The young fellow was 'boots' in an hotel, and the white-haired old man was a guest."

TO HAVE HIGHEST BRIDGE ON EARTH

Royal Gorge, Canon City, Will Be Spanned by Suspension Crossing 1,053 Feet Above Water Level

CANON CITY, Colo., Dec. 7.—The famous Royal Gorge of the Arkansas River, near here, is to be spanned by a suspension bridge which will be the highest in the world. The Royal Gorge has been noted for its hanging bridge, one side of which is supported by trusses from the walls of the canyon. The hanging bridge was constructed in 1879, and pictures of it have been shown all over the world as an engineering curiosity.

The span of the new bridge will be 1,053 feet above the river. It will be 880 feet long, will hang from four towers, two on each side of the gorge and will be supported by cables weighing 300 tons. With the exception of the flooring, the entire construction will be of steel. A highway is being constructed on the south side to connect with a road on the north side.

The highest bridge in the world at the present time is in France, with height of 485 feet. The highest bridge in the United States is that of Lee's Ferry, in the Great Canyon. The Royal George bridge will be more than twice as high as those engineering feats.

Keep Up With Yourself

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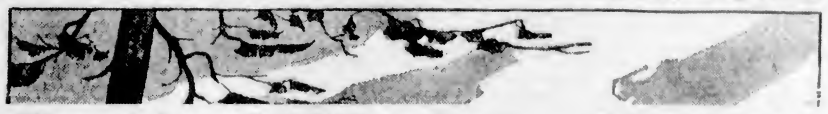

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Vancouver Island News

SOOKE OFFERED AMUSEMENT PARK AREA

Property, Eleven Acres in Extent Is Available, With Possibility of Further Extension

SIDEWALKS ARE REQUIRED NOW

SOOKE, Dec. 7.—That a pound law should be enforced in the Sooke district was the opinion of the members of the Sooke District Association at a well-attended meeting held in the Belvedere Hotel on Thursday evening; also that sidewalks are becoming a necessity for the safety of pedestrians and school children in the vicinity of the stores, postoffice and school.

The matter of purchasing grounds for an amusement park was again before the meeting.

The option of purchasing eleven acres for $1,000, with the addition of seven adjoining lots, making a total of $1,700, was read by the secretary. As no decisive reply could be obtained from the Sooke Athletic Association, and as co-operation with this body was necessary in the enterprise, the subject was left over until next month.

Owing to conflicting dates with the athletic association, the next two meetings will be held on January 9 and February 13 consecutively.

SERVICE CLUB

North Saanich Club Auxiliary Entertains Members at Afternoon Function

NORTH SAANICH, Dec. 7.—A delightful afternoon was spent in the North Saanich Service Club rooms on Wednesday, when the Ladies' Auxiliary of the club entertained at bridge and tea in aid of the annual children's Christmas tree.

Cards, under the convenership of Mrs. E. Livesey, were enjoyed at twelve tables, keen competition featuring the play throughout. At the termination of the game the first prize was presented to Mrs. A. Sansbury, and the second prize was awarded to Mrs. H. H. Shade, while the consolation went to Mrs. Smethurst.

A cake was won by Mrs. Le Vack, the other prizes being won by Mrs. A. Critchley and Mrs. Smethurst.

All the prizes were donated by members of the auxiliary. During the tea hour additional guests arrived, including the teachers from the North Saanich and Deep Cove schools. Miss Irene Lambert delighted the guests with a very dainty rainbow dance, while Miss Molly Clarke rendered two piano selections which were much appreciated.

The afternoon proved most successful, both socially and financially, a gratifying amount being realized for the Christmas fund.

Maybe the reason why Russia and China do not get down to fighting a real war is because they fear it may have a Japanned finish.—Louisville Times.

GALIANO BIRDS PRIZE WINNERS

WONDERFUL SUCCESS ACHIEVED BY MR. AND MRS. MILLER HIGGS

Pigeons Carry Off High Honors at Recent Winter Show at Hastings Park

GALIANO, Dec. 7.—Mrs. Miller Higgs, of Galiano Island, met with most remarkable success with her exhibit of white fantail pigeons at the British Columbia Winter Show at Hastings Park, Vancouver, last week. Making only six entries, she won four firsts and two seconds, the special prize for the best bird shown from The Islands, the special for the best fantail of any color bred in 1929, and in addition the silver cup for the best fantail in the show, any color and any age, no less than 103 birds competing for the coveted trophy.

After the contest Mr. Scavington remarked that "it was difficult to find a fault in the winning bird." The mother of this pigeon in a class of eight tyical specimens shown by four different breeders besides winning the first in her class won the special for the best fantail in the opposite sex to the winner of the cup and so placed second for the best fantail out of the 104 entries in this breed, again demonstrating the fact that the judge knew the type he wanted to see.

GOOD COMPETITION

Mr. Miller Higgs was an exhibitor in the blue and silver fantail varieties and in the blues was in competition with the well-known fancier, Mr. Robert Murray, of Victoria, who had over seventy fantails of splendid quality in the show, in white, black, blue, yellow, saddle, chequer and splash fantails. Mr. Miller Higgs secured a first, a second, two thirds and a fourth award. In the silver variety all awards went to Mr. Miller Higgs. It was, however, in the pigmy pouters that Mr. Higgs had the distinction of winning first, second and third in a class of nineteen young male birds, and likewise first, second and third in the class for 1929 hens, the first prize young male bird securing the H. B. Robert's Challenge Cup for the best young blue pigmy (either sex). This honor has fallen to Mr. Miller Higgs' loft for the third year in succession in hot competition with other well known breeders. This winning bird also secured the special for the best 1929 pigmy pouter in the show of any color.

Mr. Arthur Lord, another Galiano Island exhibitor, did remarkably well, winning first in the $10 selling class with a fine pair of blue pigmies and likewise secured the first prize in the $5 selling class with a very good pair of black Nuns. There was a large entry in this class of pairs. Mr. Lord's black and dun Nuns, as usual, held their own in the classes for this breed, his birds showing well marked bibs and beautiful hoods. His winnings were: Old cock birds, first, special, second; old hens, two firsts, third; young cock birds, first, third; young hens, first, second, and special for best Nun, 1929.

THE POULTRY SHOW

Galiano Island was represented in the poultry show (bantam section) by two young exhibitors, Miss Ruth Higgs and Mr. Richmond Hume, who both showed Dark Cornish Bantams, the former winning three firsts and the latter second and third prize hens. There was little to choose in the winning hens, all being birds showing the true Cornish type and good lacing in feather.

Between seventy and eighty birds were sent from Galiano Island this year to the British Columbia Winter Fair and made a remarkable showing in the awards they secured at what proved to be the best Winter exhibition of poultry and pigeons ever seen at Hastings Park, both for quantity and quality. In the pigeon show there were many outstanding birds such as Mr. S. Greenshield's Magpie, which won first at the Crystal Palace, London, England, and is a bird which came to this country at a cost to its owner of no less than $500. Mrs. Miller Higgs' young white fantail was another bird which was in the running for the best pigeon in the show, out of the one thousand birds entered.

She was a very attractive and sprightly damsel, and, when leaving a party one bitterly cold evening, she offered to give a lift home to a young man whom she knew lived in the same street as herself.

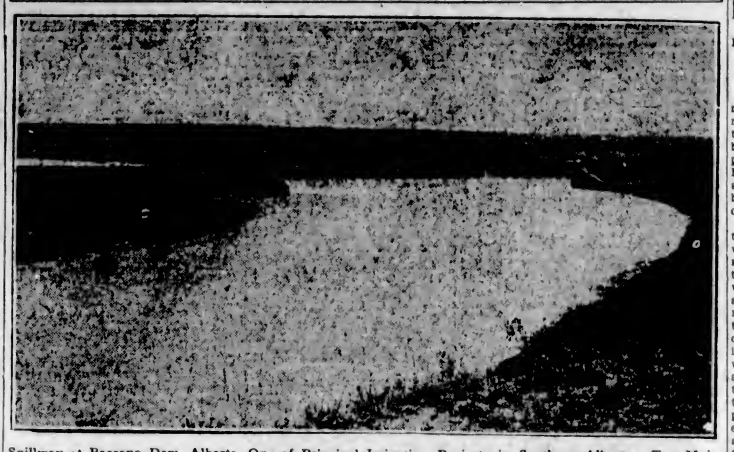
"Oh, dear!" she cried, as she sank back among the cushions and the car sprang forward. "Oh, dear! This wretched weather! I am simply frozen to death. And my hands are like ice. Feel them."

But the young man did not respond. He looked at her bashfully for a few moments and said:

"You should have brought a—a muff with you."

"I did!" she wailed.

Irrigation Scheme Almost Complete



Spillway at Bassano Dam, Alberta, One of Principal Irrigation Projects in Southern Alberta. Ten Major Projects Are Already in Operation and Two Under Construction.

HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY MEETS

Monthly Meeting of North Saanich Society Hear Specialists—Essay Competition

SIDNEY, Dec. 7.—The monthly meeting of the North Saanich Horticultural Society was held in Wesley Hall on Thursday evening with a good attendance of members. The president, Mr. L. E. Taylor, occupied the chair. Mr. E. W. Watt, who spoke briefly on the topic of "General Gardening" proved most interesting.

Mr. W. Downs, provincial entomologist, was introduced and gave an instructive talk on "Insects."

Mr. J. A. Nunn reported on the essays on the subect of "My Garden and What I Learned Through the Competition," written by the children who entered the garden contest. These have been carefully checked by the editor of The Review, Mr. H. J. McIntyre, giving due consideration to the manner in which the subject was handled, neatness, composition, spelling, punctuation, knowledge gained, etc., and the prizes were awarded as follows. Over Grade VII, first, Muriel Smith; second, Willie Dawes and Florence Nunn, tied. Under Grade VII, first, Gordon Smith; second, John Gurton. Mr. Nunn spoke a few words in regards to what the society is doing to encourage gardening among the children.

The competition for the meeting was a collection of colored leaves and berries, the first prize being presented to Mrs. J. T. Harrison, and second to Mr. J. A. Nunn.

The special meeting held in the Deep Cove Hall on Monday afternoon proved most interesting, thirty or more residents being present. Professor E. M. Straight, of the Sidney Experimental Station addressed the meeting.

It was decided to hold an executive meeting at the home of Mrs. E. Hammond, East Road, on Tuesday evening.

Mrs. Grant Dies

NANAIMO, Dec. 7.—Mr. James Millar last evening received a telephone message from Vancouver informing him of the death there at 5 o'clock of Mrs. Thomas A. Grant, a former well-known resident of Nanaimo. Mr. and Mrs. Grant and family lived on Milton Street, removing to Vancouver some eighteen years ago. Besides her husband she is survived by six sons and one daughter.

Gymnastic Display Given by Pupils of Queen Margaret's

DUNCAN, Dec. 7.—A splendid showing was made by the pupils of Queen Margaret School yesterday afternoon when before a large audience they held their gymnastic competitions.

There were no dull minutes, all pupils showing great keenness. They were working not for themselves alone, but for the form they represented. Alacrity marked the changing of equipment, and every drill and exhibition was excellently executed. Miss M. Miller, of Victoria, who acted as judge, highly complimented Miss Williams, the sports mistress at the school, and the pupils on their work.

A pretty feature of the afternoon's exhibition was the Nass March, a Swedish figure march, which was given by the whole school, while Miss Miller was summing up her decisions for the cup competitions.

The cup competitions were divided into three classes, as follows: Two teams from the lower school, one boys and one girls, awarded Junior Cup, Boys' Team; Form cup for rest of the school, awarded Form V; MacKenzie Cup, three representatives from each of the five forms competing for the cup which is to be won for her form by the girl who does the best individual work on the apparatus, awarded Kythe Mackenzie, Form III "A."

The presentations of the cups was made by Mr. C. R. Mackenzie, of Nanaimo. Mr. and Mrs. Mackenzie's three daughters were competing in different forms for the cup presented for the one who scored the best individual marks for her form.

Following the exhibition Miss Denny and Miss Geoghegan acted as hostesses at tea to the parents and friends, and all who attended.

MANAGER GIVES REPORT ON WORK

Local Officials of B.C. Oil Hear About Development and Make Statement

The local office of the B. C. Oil and Development Company, Ltd., now drilling in the Flathead Valley, is in receipt of a letter dated November 24 from Mr. M. W. Cassady, field manager for the company, in which he states:

"Run casing Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, finishing Friday night, 22nd, at a depth of 1,105 feet. Hole is O.K., and pipe run nicely, although weather was awfully cold. Everything in the derrick covered with ice, making the work dangerous.

"Resumed drilling at 12 o'clock, Friday 22. At noon, Saturday, 23rd, they had made 7 feet of new 12 1-2 inch hole.

"We set pipe in mud and coal. Apparently it was holding the gas pressure and water when I left the field Saturday. Cannot tell the ultimate results until all the water is bailed from inside the pipe. This will not all be bailed out until they have made enough 12 1-2 inch hole to get the string of tools below where the pipe is set."

In relation to the above letter of Mr. M. W. Cassady and in connection with the present position of the company, the secretary and two of the principal directors make the accompanying statement: "We, the undersigned, being the local directors and secretary of the B. C. Oil & Development Company, Limited, wish to go on record as stating that in our opinion the affairs of the company are in better shape today than ever before since its inception. Under the new capitalization scheme the company expects to have some $160,000 cash in hand by March 15 next as the allotment of stock to shareholders is being subscribed for freely, and also some 465,000 shares still remaining in the treasury.

No further cash capital should be required to finish this first well as it is confidently expected that commercial oil will be brought in at between 1,600 and 2,000 feet. We are satisfied that the management of the company is in capable hands and the chances of success in our venture are excellent. Signed: W. H. Langley, secretary; W. T. Williams, director; D. Leeming, director.

Phillip Barry Play to Be Read at Dramalogue

Phillip Barry's "In a Garden" will be read tomorrow afternoon at the dramalogue at the Empress Hotel. Those taking part in the reading will be Mrs. Charles E. Wilson, Mrs. E. C. Hayward, Mr. Percy Crump, Mr. Arthur Wedd, Captain Hugh Allan and Captain Layborn.

DECLINE OF FUR MARKET REPORTED

Famous London Firm Gives Depressing Account of Conditions at Present Time

The disappointing state of the fur market in Great Britain, where a marked depression has occurred, is told in the following report, issued by Messrs. C. M. Lampson & Company, Limited, of 64 Queen Street, London, E.C. 4, who are generally acknowledged to be the foremost buyers and sellers of skins throughout the world.

"This sale has been undoubtedly the most difficult and disappointing which has been held in London for many years. Owing, no doubt, to the critical financial conditions prevailing and the general uncertainty as to the future, buyers were most reluctant to purchase more than their barest requirements, consequently, in the case of some articles it was difficult to obtain bids at all, while others could only be sold at a considerable decline. This hesitation was particularly marked at the beginning of the sales. As they proceeded confidence was to a large extent restored, and towards the end, although prices were distinctly low, the demand became once more normal.

"The number of foreign buyers present was much smaller than usual, and a large proportion of the offering was taken on English account.

"It is exceedingly difficult to forecast the future as so much must depend on the financial developments, both here and abroad, during the next two months. We believe, however, given an improvement in these conditions, that confidence is likely to be restored, and that the market on the lower basis of price now established will become fluid once again.

"In the present state of uncertainty it is absolutely essential that the greatest possible caution should be exercised in making purchases when the fresh catch is available."

SILVER FOX SKINS

With regard to silver and cross-fox skins, Messrs. Lampson write as follows:

"As is usual at this time of the year, the offering was not an attractive one, containing no fine skins and a large proportion of somewhat stale and inferior kinds.

"Owing to the exceedingly unsatisfactory financial conditions at present prevailing all over the world, the demand for silver fox skins, in common with most other furs, was not good, and we were only able to dispose of the offering at a considerable decline on the price realized at the sale in May."

"The decline was most marked in the case of the poorer sorts. We feel fairly confident, however, that, had we offered any really fine skins, they would have again sold well and would have brought prices only slightly lower than those realized in the Spring.

"The inferior kinds, of which the catalogue contained a large proportion, were distinctly neglected and these are in some cases almost unsaleable.

"As to the future, it is exceedingly difficult at this time to make any reliable forecast, as so much depends on the quantity of skins available next year. We believe, however, that the demand for this popular fur is likely to continue, especially for the finer skins. The level of prices, however, will undoubtedly be somewhat lower than that ruling during last season."

PUBLIC MARKET BUSINESS GOOD

Prices Remain Steady With Exception of Eggs, Down Five Cents Below Last Week

Signs of Christmas are becoming manifest at the Victoria Public Market. Yesterday holly made its appearance and was offered loose, by the pound, and in attractive shipping boxes. Large displays of the showy cyclamen were in evidence. Several stalls advertised Christmas cakes, and, testifying to the mild weather of this section, one stall had bunches of pussy willows. From now on outdoor lettuce will be missed, the last of it, according to one dealer, being on sale yesterday. Eggs took another drop during the week and sold for five cents below last week's prices. Cut flowers were confined principally to chrysanthemums. The usual offerings of delicacies in the way of potted jams, baked meats, jellied chicken, Devonshire cream cheeses, pies, cakes, etc., found ready purchasers.

Meats: Loins of beef, 35c a pound; shoulders of beef, 15c a pound and up; mutton, loins, 30c to 35c a pound; shoulders, 25c to 30c a pound; lamb, loins, 40c a pound; shoulders, 30c to 35c a pound; veal, 35c a pound; shoulders, 25c and 28c a pound; pork, loins, 35c a pound; shoulders, 28c a pound; pork sausages, 30c a pound; bacon, sides, 45c to 50c a pound; backs, 50c and 55c a pound; ham, 45c and 50c a pound; rabbit, 30c a pound; roasting fowl, 45c a pound; boiling fowl, 28c and 30c a pound; butter, 50c a pound; mincemeat, 20c a pound.

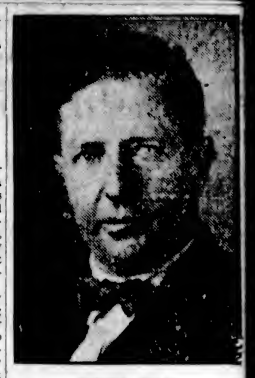
Fish: Fresh spring salmon, 35c a pound; cod, 15c a pound; fillet of cod, 20c a pound; herring, 3 pounds for 25c; smoked red salmon, 30c a pound; smoked black cod, 25c a pound; bloaters, 2 pounds for 25c; kippers, 15c a pound.

Vegetables: Tomatoes, 10c, 15c and 30c a pound; green tomatoes, 10c a pound; beets, 3c a bunch; young carrots, 3 bunches for 10c; radishes, 2 bunches for 10c; turnips, 2c and 3c a pound; parsnips, 3 pounds for 10c; squash, 5c a pound; hothouse tomatoes, 30c a pound; celery, 5c, 10c and 15c a bunch; pumpkin, 3c a pound; brussels sprouts, 15c a pound; turnip tops 10c a pound; artichokes, 4 pounds for 25c; spinach, 3 pounds for 25c; cauliflower, 10c, 15c and 20c each; cabbage, 5c and 10c each; red cabbage, 10c each; lettuce, 3 heads for 10c; onions, 5c a pound; potatoes, 5 pounds for 25c; sack, Netted Gems, $3.65.

Fruit: Apples, 5c a pound or 6 pounds for 25c and 8 pounds for 25c; by the box they were from $1.60 to $2.00; pears, 5 pounds for 25c; quince, 5c a pound; citron, 4c a pound; walnuts, 35c a pound.

Flowers: Chrysanthemums, from 25c to $1.50; Autumn leaves, 10c a bunch; Christmas cherries, cyclamen, ferns, shrubs in pots, 25c up to $5.00.

Extra fresh eggs were 55c a dozen; pullet extras, 45c a dozen; peewees, 40c a dozen; preserved eggs, 40c a dozen. Jellied chicken, 25c a package; Devonshire cream cheese in pots, 25c. At the candy stall the specials were chocolate-coated nut toffee, 30c a pound; maple cream, 30c a pound; Brazil maple fudge, 40c a pound.



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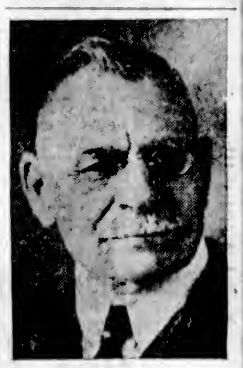

Candidate for Alderman

To the Electors:

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Loneliness of Wilderness Is Relieved by Wireless

BUSY, bustling, happy crowds, windows decked with sparkling tinsel and red, carol-singing on the street corners, and a thousand-and-one other spectacles go to make Christmas in a city a time of good cheer. The spirit of the season is abroad and it is an infectious spirit which takes a hard-headed Scrooge to withstand. Even to those who are popularly known as the "shut-ins," those in hospitals, those lying on sick beds at home, the spirit of friendliness and goodwill to men comes through an open door of sympathy and fellowship. But what of the "shut-outs"? Beyond the borders of civilization many a man this year, as in the past, will spend his Christmas alone, cut off from physical contact with the rest of humanity, with many a mile of ice and snow and frozen forest stretching between him and his nearest neighbor.

To the trapper and frontiersman of Canada's frozen North there is little to distinguish the Christmas season from any other period of the year, except, perhaps, that the snow is becoming deeper, the daylight shorter and his isolation more complete. The great, red-letter day of the Christian world is checked off in order to keep track of time. In the Spring he may receive a belated Christmas card when he "goes out," but on Christmas Day itself he has little besides memory as a companion.

This, at least, was the picture of a wilderness Christmas which might have been painted only a few years ago, before the advent of radio into the Northland.

Today, however, the desolate scene is changed a little. The lonely cabin remains, the snow is still piled as high, the wind-bitten bush is still as inhospitable, but in many cases the corner of the Northlander's home is furnished with an unpretentious little wooden box containing five tiny Aladdin's lamps. The closing of a switch, and these little magic-makers will glow with life and place a world at the command of the lonely trapper. A little maneuvring of the dial will take him to the great cities of the continent where the glad festivities of Christmas are at their height, and he can join with his fellow men in celebrating the greatest event of the world's history.

A special Christmas broadcast to the Far North has been undertaken for some years past by KDKA at Pittsburgh, but it is still a feature which stirs the imagination. Into the microphone the announcer will voice again his messages of good cheer. Christmas music will be carried again across those cold, silent spaces and the latest tidings from civilization will be communicated to the lonely listener. Finally will come the messages from friends, personal messages and greetings sent to individuals. The dog-days of Summer may be well on their way before the replies are finally brought to civilization from the Far Northland, but the written word is not necessary to tell the sender what such a message has meant to the recipient.

Chief Announcer for Station KOA

MR. FREEMAN H. TALBOT
Who is chief announcer and director for Station KOA, Denver, Colorado.

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A JOLLY moment in the lives of Gus and Louis, two of America's most popular comedians, who are featured with the Schradertown Band over the National Broadcasting Company system every Friday night at 9:30 o'clock (E.S.T.). Louie (Louis Mason) is left. Arthur Allen plays the part of Gus. The programme is heard through the following N.B.C. associated stations: WEAF, New York; WEEI, Boston; WTIC, Hartford; WJAR, Providence; WTAG, Worcester; WCSH, Portland; WGY, Schenectady; WGR, Buffalo; WCAE, Pittsburgh; WWJ, Detroit; WSAI, Cincinnati; KSD, St. Louis; WOC, Davenport; WOW, Omaha; WRC, Washington; WLIT, Philadelphia; WFJC, Akron; WIBO, Chicago; and WDAF, Kansas City.

Radio Broadcastings

By Courtesy of Radio Doings

Sunday's Programme

CFCT, Victoria, B.C. (475.9m; 630k)—11 a.m., The morning service of the Victoria City Temple. 7:38 p.m., The West Coast Information Service, correct time signal. 7:30, The evening service of the Victoria City Temple, followed by the official weather report and forecast and the resume of programmes for the week.

National Broadcasting Company—12 noon-1 p.m., National Youth Conference. 1-2:30, Dr. S. Parkes Cadman Cathedral Hour. 2:30-3:30, Philco Hour. 3:30-4, Whittall Anglo-Persians. 4-4:30, Sunday Concert. 4:30-5, Duo Disc programme. 5-5:15, Enna Jettick Melodies. 5-6, Sunday Concert. 5:15-6:15, Collier's Radio Hour. 6-6:15, News Service. 6:15-7:15, Atwater Kent programme. 7:15-7:45, Studebaker Champions. 7:45-8:15, Sunday at Seth Parker's. 8:15-9, The Pilgrims. 9-9:30, The Reader's Guide. 9:30-10, Stenislas Bem's Little Symphony.

KNX, Los Angeles, Cal. (285.5m; 1,050k)—9-11 a.m., Musical programme of recordings. 11-12:30 p.m., First Presbyterian Church. 13:30-1, Musical programme. 1-3, International Bible Students. 3-4, City Parks Board musical programme. 4-5, Radio Church of the Air. 5-5:30, Louise Johnson, astronomist. 6-6:30, Talk by Dr. Ernest Holmes. 6:30-7, Dr. Theodore Curtis Abel. 7-8, Luboviski Musical Trio. 8-9, First Presbyterian Church. 9-9:15, Recording programme. 9:15-10:15, Feature programme.

KJR, Seattle, Wash. (309.1m; 970k)—8 a.m., Popular music. 12 noon, Dance music. 1 p.m., Y.M.C.A. programme. 1:30, Stoneway Tabernacle services. 3, Krasnoff's Lyric Hour. 3, Elmore Vincent and Marjorie Robillard. 4:30, Showboat Orchestra. 5:30, Glen Eaton and Marjorie Robillard. 6, Broadway Trio. 7, Hometowners' Orchestra and soloists. 9, Damski's Imperial Grand Orchestra. 9, Los Gauchos Arzentine Ensemble. 10, Concert Ensemble. 11, Harmony Acres Dance Band.

KSL, Salt Lake City, Utah (265.8m; 1130k)—7:30 a.m., Informal programme. 9, Sunny Side Up. 10, Utah Educational Department. 10:30, Instrumental Ensemble. 11, Russian Balalaika Orchestra. 11:30, N.B.C. Old World Trio. 12 noon, Friendly Hour. 1, L.D.S. services from the Tabernacle. 3:30, A. C. Gilbert programme. 3, Mutual Hour. 3:30, Anglo-Persians, popular orchestra. 4, Ye Olde Towne Crier. 4:30, Baldwin Piano programme. 5, Salt Lake Federation of Labor. 5:15, Collier's Hour. 6:15, Atweter Kent Hour. 7, First Presbyterian Church services. 7:30, Roman Catholic discourse. 8, L.D.S. Church services. 9, Criterion Male Quartette. 10:30, Request hour.

KGO, Oakland, Cal. (379.5m; 790k)—12-1 p.m., National Youth Conference. 1-2:30, Cathedral Hour. 2:30-3:30, Philco Hour. 3:30-4, Whittell Anglo-Persians. 4-4:30, Afternoon Concert. 4:30-5, Duo Disc programme. 5-9, Sunday Concert. 6:15-7:15, Atweter Kent programme. 7:15-7:45, Studebaker Champions. 7:45-8:15, Sunday at Seth Parker's. 9:15-9, The Pilgrims. 9-9:30, The Reader's Guide. 9:30-10, Stenislas Bem's Little Symphony. 10-11, The Bay Classics.

KGA, Spokane, Wash. (281m; 1470k)—3 p.m., Old favorites. 6, The Harmonists. 7, Hometowners' Orchestra. 8, KGA Concert Band. 9, Los Gauchos Arzentines. 10, Concert Ensemble. 10:30, Request programme.

KPO, San Francisco, Cal. (448.9m; 680k)—9-9:45 a.m., Sabbath Hour. 9:45-10:45, Church services. 1-3 p.m., KPO Salon Orchestra. 2-3:30, Theadore Strong, organist. 3:30-3:30, Philco Hour. 3:30-4, Fredric Bittka, baritone. 4-4:30, Sunday Concert. 4:30-5, Kathryn Juire Ensemble. 5, Bank of America of California. 5-5:15, Enna Jettick Melodies. 5:15-6:15, Collier Hour. 6:15-7:15, Atwater Kent programme. 7:15-8, Elsa Behlow Treutner, soprano. 8-8:30, North American Quartette. 8:30-9, Fairmont Hotel Concert Orchestra. 9-10, Abas String Quartette. 10-10:15, "Scotty" Mortland. 10:15-10:30, Organ recital.

KGW, Portland, Ore. (482.6m; 620k)—12-1 p.m., National Youth Conference. 1-1:30, Catholic Truth. 1:30-2:30, Cadman Service. 2:30-3:30, Retold Tales. 3:30-4, Whittell Anglo-Persians. 4-4:30, Sunday concert. 4:30-5, Duo Disc. 5-5:15, Enna Jettick Melodies. 5:15-6:15, Collier Hour. 6:15-7:15, Atwater Kent programme. 7:15-7:45, Studebaker Champions. 7:45-8, Studio programme. 8-8:30, Baker's Enna Jetticks. 8:30-9, Laundry programme. 9-9:30, Blumauer Frank. 9:30-10, Drama, KGW. 10-11, Little Symphony Orchestra. 11-12, Fox Hollywood Organ.

KFRC, San Francisco, Cal. (491.9m; 610k)—9-12 noon, "Home, Sweet Home" Concert. 12-1:19 p.m., Noonday concert. 1-2:30, McKesson At Robbins. 2:30-3, Presto-O-Lite programme. 3-4, Grab Bag Hour. 4-4:30, Our Romantic Ancestors. 4:30-5, Talk by Dr. Louis I. Newman. 5-5:30, Organist, contralto, violin and harp. 5:30-6, Art Kahn and his Sonotrons. 6-7, 8-7, Majestic Theatre of the Air. 7-7:30, Jesse Crawford, organist. 7:30-8, Novelty Beatette. 8-8, Concert orchestra. 9-11, Roof Garden Orchestra. 11-12, Mandarin Band.

KFI, Los Angeles, Cal. (468.5m; 640k)—10 a.m., Los Angeles Church Federation programme. 2:30, Philco programme. 3:30, Whittall Anglo-Persians. 4, Lelia Castberg, "Advanced Thought." 5 p.m., Enna Jettick Melodies. 5:15, Collier Hour. 6:15, Atwater Kent. 7:15, Studebaker Champions. 8, Concert orchestra. 9, Aeolian organ recital. 10, Dance orchestra.

KOA, Denver, Colo. (361.2m; 830k)—4-4:30 p.m., Durant Motors. 4:30-5, At the Baldwin. 5-5:15, Enna Jettick Melodies. 5:15-6:15, Collier's Radio Hour. 6:15-7:15, Atwater Kent Hour. 7:15-7:45, Studebaker Champions. 7:45-8:15, Sunday Evening at Seth Parker's. 8:15-8:45, The Boliteire Cowboys. 8:45-9, Sam Herman, xylophonist. 9-9:15, Everett E. Foster, baritone.

KTAB, Oakland, Cal. (536.4m; 560k)—9-10 a.m., Dr. B. L. Corley. 10-11 a.m., Bible Class. 11-12:30 p.m., Church services. 12:30-1, Chapel of the Chimes. 1-2, Church of the Latter Day Saints. 2-3:30, The Master's Album. 2:30-3, Poke Bonnet Sisters and Jane R. Sands, pianist. 3-3:30, Organ recital. 3:30-4, Joint recital. 4-5, Recordings. 5-6, Chapel of the Chimes. 6-6:30, Edison Hour. 6:30-7, Tiqdall lecture. 7-7:30, Rhythm Boys. 7:30-9:30, Tenth Avenue Baptist Church. 9:30-10, Brunswick Hour. 10-11, Variety Hour.

Monday's Programme

7:30 a.m., The morning market trends from the stock room. 6 p.m., The closing market quotations from the studio. 8:15, Listeners to CFCT will enjoy the following, rendered by the Sunset Concert Orchestra. The overture to "The Bohemian Girl" (Balfe); a concert waltz, "Danube Waves" (Ivanocci); a grand operatic selection from "Lohengrin" (Wagner); three songs, "A Magic Song" and "Every Morn I Send Thee Violets" (Meyer-Helmund) and "On Wings of Song" (Mendelssohn); a suite of ballet music from "La Source" (Delibes); The Grand March from "Tannhauser" (Wagner). 7:15, "What's Doing in Town"; Garden Bulletin; official weather report and forecast; "Scrap Book"; West Coast Information Service; correct time signal. CFCT will sign off soon after 7:30.

National Broadcasting Company—9-9 a.m., Reveille. 10-11:30, Women's Magazine of the Air. 11:30-12 noon, N.B.C. Philharmonic Organ Recital. 12-1 p.m., Rembrandt Trio. 1-1:30, The N.B.C. Debut Hour. 1:30-2:30, Pacific Vagabonds. 3-3:30, Mormon Tabernacle programme. 3:30-4, A. C. Gilbert Company programme. 4:15-4:45, Evening Reveries. 4:45-5, Back of the News in Washington. 5-5:15, Moment Musicale. 5:15-5:45, Aunt Betty Kiddies' Club. 5:45-6, News Service. 6-6:30, Edison programme. 6:30-7:30, General Motors Family Party. 7:30-8, Rudy Seiger's Shell Symphonists. 9:30-9:45, Amos 'n' Andy. 9:45-9, Studio programme. 9-9:30, Voice of Firestone. 9:30-10, The Cigar Band. 10-11, Slumber Hour. 11-12, Laushner-Herrie St. Francis Dance Orchestra.

KOMO, Seattle, Wash. (323.9m; 926k)—3 p.m., Choir and organ recital. 4:15, Kiddies' programme. 5, Artistic Ensemble. 5:45, Tim's Pep Rally. 6, Edison Recorders. 6:30, General Motors Family Party. 7:30, Empire Builders. 8, Rudy Seiger's Shell Symphonists. 8:30, Amos 'n' Andy. 9, Voice of Firestone. 9:30, The Cigar Band. 10, University of Washington Educational Hour. 10:30, Weed Chein programme. 11:15, Olympic Hotel Dance Orchestra. 12-12:30 a.m., Organ recital.

KXL, Oakland, Cal. (340.7m; 880k)—3-3:30 p.m., Recordings. 3:30-3:30, Opportunity Hour. 5:30-5:50, Recordings. 3:50-4, Baico talk. 4-4:30, The Happy Hayseeds. 4:30-5, Records. 5-5:30, Brother Bob Club. 5:30-6, Cressy Ferra, pianist. 6-7, Hotel Oakland Concert Trio. 7-7:30, News Broadcast. 7:30-8, Alabam Cafe Orchestra. 8-9, Amati Quartette. 9-10, Pianist, contralto, violinist and baritone.

KSL, Salt Lake City, Utah (265.8m; 1130k)—4 p.m., Amos 'n' Andy. 5, Dance Orchestra. 5:30, Vocal and instrumental selections. 5:50, Conservation of Vision. 6, Edison programme. 6:30, General Motors. 7, Programme of diversified musical selections, "Western Hour." 7:30, Great Northern Railroad programme. 8, The Jewel Box. 8, The Voice of Firestone. 9:30, Diversified musical programme. 10, Slumber Hour. 11, Request Hour.

KTAB, Oakland, Cal. (535.4m; 560k)—12-1 p.m., Sterling Cosmopolitans. 1-1:30, Chapel of the Chimes. 1:30-2, Recordings. 2-3, Organ recital. 3-4, Novelty recordings. 4-5, Home Towners. 5-6, Brother Bob's Frolic Hour. 6-6:30, Sterling Cosmopolitans. 6:30-7, Twilight Hour. 7-7:30, Recordings. 7:30-9:30, Musical Comedy. 8:30-10, Ice Hockey. 10-11, Dance orchestra. 11-12 midnight, Nite Owls. 12-1 a.m., Slumber Chasers.

KOA, Denver, Colo. (361.2m; 830k)—4-4:15, Amos 'n' Andy. 4:15, Weather, stocks, markets. 4:45, Road reports. 4:48, Westminister Chimes. 4:50-5, Johnny Muskrat. 5-5:55, Browns Palace Hotel orchestra. 5:55-9, Berlin Boyd, Better Business Bureau. 6-6:30, Edison programme. 6:30-7:30, General Motors. 7:30-8, Empire Builders. 9-9:30, Supreme Serenaders. 8:45-9, News of the World. 9-9:30, The Voice of Firestone. 9:30-10, KOA String Trio. 10-11, Slumber Hour.

KGW, Portland, Ore. (482.6m; 620k)—1:30-2:30 p.m., Pacific Vagabonds. 2:30-3, Masterworks. 3-3:30, Mormon Tabernacle. 3:30, A. C. Gilbert. 4-4:30, Studio, popular records. 4:45-5, Back of the News. 5-5:30, Movie Club. 5:30-6, Stewart-Warner. 6-6:30, Edison programme. 6:30-7:30, General Motors Family Party. 7:30-8, Empire Builders. 8-8:30, Rudy Seiger's Shell Symphonists. 8:30-8:45, Amos 'n' Andy. 8:45-9, Studio programme. 9-9:30, Firestone programme. 9:30-10, The Cigar Band. 10-11, Ben Selling's Boys. 11-12, Organ recital.

KNX, Los Angeles, Cal. (285.5m; 1050k)—3-3:30 p.m., Records and announcements. 3:30-4, Clark's Blue Monday Frolic. 5-5:15, Travelogue. 5:15-5:45, Biz Brother Ken's Kiddie Hour. 5:45-6, Town Crier's amusement tips. 6-7, Organ programme. 7-7:30, KNX Feature artists. 7:30-8, One-act play. 8-9, Luboviski Musical Trio. 9-9:30, Courtesy programme. 9:30-10, So-A-Tone broadcast. 10-11, Cocoanut Grove Orchestra. 11-12 midnight, Programme of recordings. 12-1 a.m., Dance Hour.

KJR, Seattle, Wash. (309.1m; 970k)—5:30 p.m., Raymond D. Holmes, lecture. 6, College Gossip. 6:15, Stonewall Jackson, guitar. 6:30, Hometowners' Orchestra. 7, Glen Eaton, tenor. 8, Aestha Turley, soprano; Sidney Dixon, tenor. 9, Los Gauchos Arzentine Ensemble. 10, Concert ensemble and soloists. 11, Cole McElroy's Spanish Dance Band.

KPO, San Francisco (440.9m; 680k)—12:05-1 p.m., Theodore Strong, organist. 1-1:30, Jerry Jermaine, contralto. 1:30-2, Ann Werner's home chats. 2-2:30, Aeolian Trio. 2:30-3, School broadcast, Paul Pittman. 3-3:30, Mormon Tabernacle. 3:30-3:45, Department of Commerce talk. 3:45-4, California State Chamber of Commerce. 4-5, Theodore Strong, organist. 5-5:50, Children's hour. 6-7, Salon orchestra; Federal business talk. 7-8, North American popular concert. 8-9, Shell Symphonists' programme. 9-10, The Toreadors. 10-11, KPO String Quintette.

KFI, Los Angeles (468.5m; 640k)—3 p.m., "Phenomena." 3:30, A. C. Gilbert. 4, Francis Sullivan, "Books I Kept." 4:30, Big Brother. 5:15, Tom Mitchell, baritone. 5:45, Stock market reports. 6, Edison programme. 6:30, General Motors Party. 7:30, Empire Builders. 9, Shell programme. 9, Voice of Firestone. 9:30, The Cigar Band. 10, Concert orchestra. 11, KFI News Bureau.

KGO, Oakland, Cal. (379.5m; 790k)—3-3:30 p.m., Choir and organ recital. 3:30-4, A. C. Gilbert programme. 4:15-4:45, Evening Reveries. 4:45-5, Back of the News. 5-5:15, Moment Musicale. 5:15-5:45, Aunt Betty Kiddies' Klub. 5-5:30, Edison programme. 5:30-7:30, General Motors. 7:30-8, The Empire Builders. 8-8:30, Rudy Seiger's Shell Symphonists. 8:30-8:45, Amos 'n' Andy. 8:45-9, Studio programme. 9-9:30, The Voice of Firestone. 9:30-10, The Cigar Band. 10-11, Slumber hour. 11 p.m.-12 midnight, Dance orchestra.

The increasing importance of class pianoforte instruction is well illustrated by the recent appointment of Ella H. Mason as director of the class piano promotional work of the National Bureau for the Advancement of Music.

Miss Mason has taught in the public schools of Rochester, the university of the same city, Rutger's college, two teachers' institutions in Toronto and Montreal, and has also studied group pianoforte methods at Columbia University.

Her chief activity with the bureau will be advising school authorities who write in for information about piano classes.

Owing to the fact that most of the 160,000 seats for the thirty-two performances scheduled for July and August for the Oberammergau Passion Play in 1930 have already been sold to American patrons, the business management has announced that there will be an extra thirty-two showings in May, June and September to meet the demand from other nations.

Radio Reaches Every Form of Musical Effort

THE radio reaches all phases of music, and it has the added advantage of carrying the purchaser into other fields of activity. The radio may not take the place of the personal touch with the person with the musical gift, but as far as other members of the family are concerned it has an even wider appeal. It penetrates almost all phases of activity, and it is particularly gratifying to those who like to take trips into alien fields. Radio scorns distance and it brings greater fullness to life.

In this age no family should be without music in some form or other. If it cannot come in the form of a piano or other musical instrument for the Christmas stocking, then let it be the radio.

RADIO NEWS

Out of some 28,000,000 homes in the United States, only 2,900,000 are said to have modern radio equipment.

Norman Baker, of Station KTNT, has started a listener's magazine known as TNT, which initials, he says, stand for "The Naked Truth."

Five radio manufacturers are reputed to be doing 80 per cent of the business in the United States.

Loyola College gives a worthwhile musical and educational programme by remote control over KMIC, Inglewood, daily except Saturdays at 12:30 p.m.

Wedgewood Nowell, whose speedy Playgoers' Club, has been making listeners gasp for breath, is giving his programme over KFI from 5 to 5:30 every Tuesday and Friday evening.

C. Sharpe Minor, for many years a regular artist over Los Angeles radio stations and organist at several local theatres, now presides at the console of the Fox Theatre organ in San Diego. KFSD brings his morning programme daily at 11:30 to those fond of organ music.

KQW's Blue Diamond Studio in San Francisco originates the very popular Nut Cracker programme which is broadcast every Saturday from 8:30 to 10 p.m.

The first radio tap dancing lessons to be broadcast regularly are a feature of the new "Reveille" programme which the National Broadcasting Company introduced and which will be KGO's regular morning greeting to listeners, beginning at 8 o'clock.

Fern Adams, of KGB, is responsible for the entertaining programme called "Concrete Piano Bits," which is broadcast over the San Diego station every Tuesday at 3:30 p.m.

Interest in the study of foreign languages by radio is greatly on the increase and the broadcasting stations are meeting the demand by devoting several hours a week to this type of programme. KFI offers four periods a week conducted by Annette Doherty, who gives Spanish lessons on Monday at 11:30 a.m., and Friday at 9:30 a.m.; French on Thursday and Saturday mornings at 11:45 o'clock. KNX presents Hugo Escobar on Monday at 3:45 and Wednesday at 3:15 with lessons in Spanish. Senorita Luisa Lujan is on the air daily except Sunday and Saturday at 2:30 p.m., over KMTR with a Spanish programme.

Although KECA's local programme schedule is not yet complete, Glen Edmund's and his Collegians who recently returned from an around-the-world tour, are appearing before the microphone of the new station quite regularly around dinner time.

That bass notes travel more rapidly than treble was the surprising discovery made by the N.B.C. engineers when the presentation of musical programmes through the coast-to-coast network was begun. No little difficulty resulted when it was found that treble tones arrived as much as three seconds later and produced intolerable effects as they clashed with the lower notes meant to be heard with measures to follow. Concerted experimentation in the laboratories of the telephone and radio companies has offset this and other difficulties of broadcasting via wire from the East.

A disregard of the Federal regulations requiring stations to announce their call letters every fifteen minutes is reported. As the night wears on, it is said, not one station in five announces its call letters at anywhere near the proper intervals.

Most of the trouble which makes itself evident as hum, distortion, breakdown of resistors and improper voltage at the taps can be traced to poor design in the voltage divider.

A conservatory for the training of gypsy musicians only has been opened by the gypsies of Budapest, and already many musicians between the ages of six and thirty have been enrolled.

On a recent trip to Hungary a well-known music critic discovered that the members of the Budapest Gypsy Orchestra, one of the best of the city, could not read a note of music. Before they could play a new selection, they had to have their parts played or whistled for them a number of times. After that they played in full harmony from memory.

Arnold Bax, English composer, has written a sonata for the duo-pianists Ethel Bartlett and Rae Robertson, who will play it for the first time at their concert in New York in February.

The old lady had not been ill for forty years, and when she developed an "awfu' hoet" (as a bad cold with a cough is described in parts of Aberdeenshire), her sons and daughters did their best to prevail upon her to have the doctor. But for many days she was adamant. It was only when symptoms became alarming that the family took the law into their own hands and sent for a specialist. After his departure the family found the old lady sitting up in bed looking quite cheerful. "Has the meenister gone?" she asked. Then the family confessed that the late visitor had been a doctor. "A doctor, was he?" exclaimed the patient. "Noo that ye mention it, I maun say that I thocht he was a wee bit inqueesitive for a meenister!"

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Summer Heat Is Greater in Arctic Than Farther South

Explorer Stefansson Slates Canadian School Textbooks for Grossly Misleading Impression Created of Northland Climate—Striking Facts Given as Proof

"If Canadians actually knew that there is twice as much heat in the Arctic Circle as at the equator during the summer, that wheat conditions are better at Fort Vermilion, 700 miles north of the United States boundary, than at the boundary, a national optimism would be developed throughout Canada that would have a tremendous economic effect," Vilhjalmur Stefansson declared recently before an audience in Yorkminster Church. Dr. Stefansson's lecture was the first of a number of distinguished men which have been arranged for this Winter in that church.

"You can't reckon the length of Summer in Canada by the calendar," he continued. "Though the temperature at the equator and Fort Yukon are the same, the heat at the equator lasts only twelve hours of the day, while in the North it lasts twenty-four hours. The sun works twice as long and does twice as much work in Canada as it does in Brazil." For that reason he stated that wheat would soon be grown far north of what is believed to be the limit, once the people of Canada overcome the "knowledge" of the North that they obtained from their school books.

He admitted that he himself had been "a victim of the average North American education and the variety of miscellaneous mis-information which characterized the American system," and even taught at Harvard what now he knew to be incorrect and absurd.

FALLACIES ABOUT NORTH

He proceeded to blast several popularity held fallacies concerning the North—that the North Pole is the coldest place on earth, that the temperature there never rises above freezing, that Eskimos live in ice houses and drink oil, that there is no vegetation except a little moss and lichens, and no trees.

"Distance from the equator, from the ocean and height above sea-level are all necessary to obtain a maximum cold," he went on, "and it is quite obvious that only one of those factors is present at the North Pole. At the farthest north point at which regular temperatures have been taken the greatest cold has been 52 degrees below zero, whereas coming south to Fort Vermilion, you get 72, and in Montana 68."

Summer weather 1,000 miles north of Edmonton is as warm as Edmonton, he said. At Lake Athabasca often it is 97 in the shade, and that is much worse than farther south, as the air is so humid and the heat lasts sixteen to nineteen hours of the day.

"Notwithstanding the fact that the Canadian and American weather bureaus have been registering temperature in the Arctic for twenty-five years that are often as hot as at the equator, the Canadian and American school books still say that 'it is always cold north of the Arctic Circle.' One publisher here in Toronto recently printed that because the sun is so slanting in Summer it never rises above the freezing point in the Arctic. Why pay for such books and the registration of those high temperatures by the weather bureau up there at the same time?"

Referring to the amount of vegetation found, he stated that several hundred varieties of flowering plants live in the Arctic, that mosses and lichens are a very small percentage. "We found blue grass and timothy and dandelions as well as dozens of other plants on the farthest north island that has been trod by man, on my third expedition, on an island that had never seen even the Eskimo."

"As for the Eskimo, half of them have never heard of a snow house unless they have been to school. And the text books of four provinces say they have no books. That isn't giving much credit to the Moravian and Lutheran missionaries, who have been there for two hundred years. They don't tell you that there is a magazine up there that is just as Eskimo as the Spectator is English, that has been published steadily since 1867. The truth is a great deal more interesting as well as having other advantages than this fiction."

In an effort to explain the prevalence of so many wrong impressions, the difficulty of displacing long fixed beliefs was paramount, and he cited the ostrich putting his head in the ground when frightened as an example.

EXPLORERS ARE SILENT

"The explorers haven't tried very hard to enlighten the public either, although many books and articles have been written by them. Perhaps it is because it is so easy to be a hero. The public has certain ideas about the 'eternal silence and the everlasting cold,' so all you have to do to be a hero is go north and the public does the rest. If the explorer doesn't write too much, they acclaim him for his modesty, when he is merely trying not to give the game away." (Laughter.)

The daily press then came in for its share. Numerous stories, obviously false, had been printed, even over the Associated Press, which Dr. Stefansson had tracked down. "The trouble is that the terrible things are news and the ordinary things are not news," he declared. "Last Winter there was a story of a baby freezing to death at Churchill while sleeping between its parents. The coldest day at Churchill was seven degrees warmer than La Pas and three degrees warmer than Winnipeg. There must have been a lot of babies frozen to death in Winnipeg. As a matter of fact that baby died of pneumonia. But that is not news.

"An advertisement for certain cigarettes in England last year stated that wolves run in packs and pursue people. They don't, absolutely; that is testified to by the American and Russian Governments. When the De Reske people learned the facts they withdrew that advertisement from circulation and apologized for it. But shortly after, an American geography came out stating that wolves ran in packs in Russia. There you have a cigarette company apologizing for the same thing an educational authority is publishing."

The trouble with the present system in Canada, he said, was that text books were chosen by the state from a number submitted by the publishers; "and some of them are rotten." The evil lay in the system, not in the teacher or the Minister of Education or his deputy. The government does not say directly what shall go into its text books.

AIRCRAFT LEAGUE ELECTS OFFICERS

Model Aircraft League of Victoria Is Organized—Public Meeting Next Saturday

The Model Aircraft League of Victoria was formally organized at a meeting held in the wing headquarters in the Y.M.C.A. yesterday morning. Mr. Roland Horsey was elected wing commander Mr. Ken Graham, wing lieutenant; Mr. W. Findlay, wing recording officer, and Mr. Earl Ploo Pollock, wing equipment officer.

All flights are invited to attend a public meeting to be held in the Y.M.C.A. next Saturday evening at 7 o'clock, when Mr. Ernest Eve will give an address on "Elementary Flights."

Flights now being formed were requested to register with Recording Officer Findlay at wing headquarters not later than December 21. Flights not yet firmly established were advised to get in touch with Wing H. 2 for advice.

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Fine All-Wool and Silk and Wool Pull-Overs, made with V necks and finished with neat-fitting collars. Plain shades and mottled effects. Price, each **$7.95**

Pull-Over Sweaters in novelty lace knit effects, in attractive plain shades with contrasting stripe at base. Each ..... **$12.90** and **$15.90**

—Sweaters, 1st Floor

Girls' Party Dresses

For the Holiday Gaieties

A wonderful array of New Party Frocks for the Christmas festivities—Dresses of crepe de Chine and silk poplin, in frilly or plain styles, and in pastel tints of mauve, peach, green, blue and yellow. Sizes 6 to 14 years. Priced from **$6.50** to **$10.95**

—Children's Wear, 1st Floor

Gift Slippers

Of Superior Quality

Women's Velvet Mules, with attractive ostrich plume trimming. Shown in lovely shades of jade, Copenhagen, rose and black. A pair **$3.50**

Women's Velvet d'Orsay Slippers, with silk rosettes and Cuban heels. In lavender, rose, blue and black. A pair **$3.50**

Women's Kid d'Orsay Slippers, with heels. In red, black, green and black patent. A pair **$4.50**

Women's Colored Kid Boudoir Slippers, in shades of Copenhagen, red and black. Trimmed with silk rosettes. A pair **$3.00**

Women's Fine Quality Indian Moccasin Slippers, elaborately beaded and bound with fur. Shown in many colors. A pair **$3.50**

—Women's Shoes, 1st Floor

GLOVES

Make an Acceptable Gift

Wool-Lined Cape Skin Gloves with one-dome fastener. In tan or grey. A pair.. **$2.50**

Washable Cape Skin Gloves in pull-on style. Nice Winter-weight in tan, beaver or grey. A pair **$2.75**

Pull-On Cape Skin Gloves, wool lined and with fur-trimmed cuffs. Shown in tan, beaver and grey. At, a pair **$3.50**

Washable French Kid Gloves in pull-over style with pique sewn seams and cuffs scalloped in contrasting shades. A pair, **$3.50**

—Main Floor

Women's Rayon Pyjamas

Rayon Silk Pyjamas in tailored or lace-trimmed effects. Shown in attractive shades such as peach, Nile, coral, pink, champagne and mauve. A pair **$1.95**

—Whitewear, 1st Floor

A Special Offering Monday of

Afternoon Dresses

Dresses of Transparent Velvet, Silk Tweed, Satin Georgette Crepe, Flat Crepe and Jersey Cloth. Suitable for sports or afternoon wear. A selection of fashionable shades, including navy and black. Sizes 14 to 50. On sale for

$11.75, $15.75 and $19.75

—Mantle Dept., 1st Floor

Children's Rayon Slips and Nightgowns

Make Dainty Gifts

Lace-Trimmed Princess Slips, in lovely shades of peach, pink, green, white and rose. Made with built-up shoulders and pleats at the side. Sizes 8 to 16 years. Each **$1.50**

Rayon Silk Nightgowns, fetchingly trimmed with lace, and shown in dainty tints of blue, peach, pink, green and rose. Sizes 6 to 14 years. Each **$1.50**

—Children's Wear, 1st Floor

Women's Fitted Dressing Cases

Useful Gifts

Women's Fitted Travelling Case, of strong construction, covered with fancy grained fabrikoid; brown; fitted with seven-piece two-tone toilet set **$11.00**

Women's Fitted Dressing Case, fitted with six-piece Dupont pyralin fittings; neatly lined, with pockets at side; 16-inch; black **$15.00**

Women's Fitted Travelling Case, black or brown fancy grain leather, with eight-piece pyralin toilet set; 18-inch **$36.50**

Women's Aeropack Cases, black or brown; fitted for dresses and other articles; very compact and light; convenient for long journeys..... **$10.50** to **$18.75**

—Baggage Dept., 1st Floor

GIFT BLANKETS

We have just received a new shipment of fancy plaids in many pretty color combinations from which to choose. Some with whipped edges, others sateen bound. Each..... **$1.49, $3.50** and **$4.95**

Per pair ..... **$3.50** and **$4.75**

Pure Wool Blankets in plain colors, checks, plaids and two-toned reversibles. All finished with satin-bound ends. Each ..... **$6.75** and **$9.75**

Pure Wool Plaid Blankets in all popular shades. Double bed size. Per pair **$12.50**

White Pure Wool Blankets in soft fleecy finish. Single bed size, per pair **$7.95**

Three-quarter bed size. Per pair **$8.95**

Double bed size. Per pair **$10.95**

Silver-Grey Pure Wool Blankets. Single bed size. Per pair **$7.95**

Three-quarter bed size. Per pair **$8.95**

Double bed size. Per pair **$9.95**

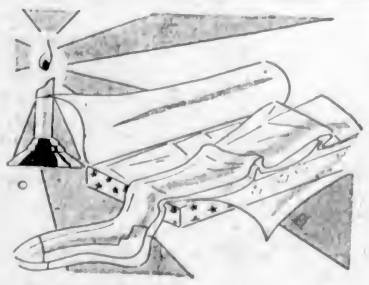
—Staples, Main Floor

A Luxurious Fur Coat

A Premier Gift for a Woman

We have many handsome Fur Coats from which to select your gift for mother, wife, sister or friend. All rich in appearance and in popular furs. Very best values.

—Mantle Dept.



Gift Hosiery

Rainbow Stripe Semi-Service-Weight Silk Hose, silk to the narrow garter hem, full fashioned, with "slendo" and pointed heels. Shades prado, beaver, lido, shell, Cairo, pearl blush, moonlight, crane, gunmetal and black. Sizes 8½ to 10½. A pair **$1.50**

Rainbow Service-Weight Silk Hose, full fashioned, with square heels and comfortable widened hemmed tops. Durable hose for everyday wear. A range of new shades. Sizes 8½ to 10½. A pair, **$1.95**

Chiffon Silk Hose, sheerest weight, silk to top and finished with picot edge. Superb-fitting ankles and feet, square and "slendo" heels. All the fashionable shades. Sizes 8½ to 10½. A pair, **$3.50**

All Boxed for Presentation.

—Hosiery, Main Floor

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